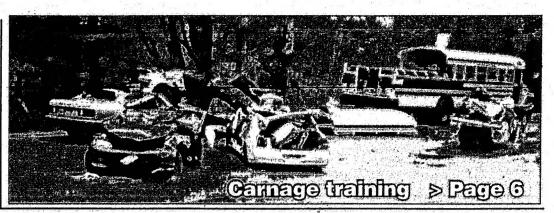
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School directors stand by decision on AES closure

By ALISON ALOISIO

Andover residents will refocus their efforts to keep the Andover Elementary School open, after the SAD 44 School Board Monday declined to rescind its April vote to close the school.

The board voted 10-6 (580-372 by weighted vote) to stand by its April 25 vote in favor of closure. A 222-signature petition from Andover prompted Monday's reconsideration.

Closure saves the district \$214,600, which has tentative-

Town committee meets tonight on strategy.

ly been redirected to contingency accounts for potential instructional, transportation and maintenance uses, and to save a Title I teaching position at the middle school.

The 25 pupils projected for enrollment at AES next year will be bussed to the Crescent Park Elementary School in Bethel, unless Andover residents vote to raise the entire sum to keep their school

See AES, Page 3

Next steps for town

"Now the work really begins," said one Andover resident after Monday's School Board meeting.

On June 16 residents will vote by referendum on whether or not to raise themselves the \$214,600 needed to keep AES open next year.

A public hearing to ex-plain that ballot question is scheduled for May 25 at 7 p.m. at AES.
"If the town doesn't vote

to raise the money it would preclude the possibility of an interlocal agreement," Andover director and SAD 44 Board Chair Sid Pew said after Monday's meet-

. By raising the money for FY'12, he said, the town

See ANDOVER, Page 3

Town of Bethel **Accepting Sealed Bids**

For Tax-Acquired Property The Town of Bethel is accepting sealed bids for a house acquired due to delinquent taxes at 37 Balsam Road (Tax Map 15, lot 16-25) until June 6, 2011 at 5:00 PM. The Board of Selectmen will announce the winning bid at their regularly scheduled meeting of June 6, 2011 at 7:00 PM. The property is being sold with one additional house lot (Tax Map 15, Lot 16-26). The minimum acceptable bid is set at \$75,000 and the winning bidder will be given 30 days to present a cashier's check for the full amount of the bid. A quit claim deed will be issued to the winner. Any questions should be addressed to the Town Manager at 824-2669.

Harnessing a farmstead's working past



Scribner Farm house on Route 2 in Bethel, just west of the overpass. He plans to renovate the house so it will appear as it did in the 19th century and return it to its original role as a working farm. He also plans to clear the seven-acre property in order to graze sheep and steers and grow gardens. He is shown here with Bruce Pierce and his Percheron. Jezebelle, Jezebelle pulled several logs from the nearby woods for Seames to use as firewood. The steers will work as oxen on the farm. (Photo:

Steve Seames

(right) recently purchased

A. Aloisio)

Antiquarian in the traces for agrarian renovation

Antiquarian Steve Seames has begun a project to return the former Clayton Sweatt house and land in Bethel to its 19th century role as a working

Seames also hopes agriculture- and history-minded members of the community will visit, learn and perhaps even work one of the public garden plots he plans to offer.

The house is located at the western entrance to Bethel, on Route 2. A banner on the front of the mid-19th-century farmhouse proclaims, "Scribner Farm Renovation."

Seames, who bought the house and its seven acres last month, is just the third owner. A native of Greenwood, he

Greenwood voters will be

asked Saturday to begin think-

ing about the future of the De-

pression- era building that for

decades served as the their

Town Hall, theater, basketball

court, supper-and-dance hall

and general meeting place,

but has sat vacant and unused

since it hosted its last town

But first, this year's town

meeting voters must take up

yet again the question of who

will provide the town with

ambulance service, and they

must decide if they are willing

to enter into an enhanced mu-

meeting, two years ago.

several years ago, after 30 years away, much of it as the director of the Massachusetts

um in Worces-

week, he looked at it and said, "I own it."

structurally tween the foundation and walls need to be replaced.

2011 Town Meetings

returned to live in the area but on a different site.

Standing outside his new old house last

Military Muse-

The house is

History The original section, an ell on the back of the house, was built sometime before 1851 —

In Greenwood: Tri-Town again,

and time to deal with Town Hall

ment coverage.

tual-aid agreement with near-

by Woodstock for fire-depart-

The ambulance questioned

appeared settled following

last year's meeting, at which

voters opted by a nearly five-

to-one margin (62-13) to stick

with West Paris-based Tri-

Town Rescue Service, rather

than drop Tri-Town in favor

contract with PACE Ambu-

Proponents of switching to

PACE, including Greenwood Fire Chief Albert Curtis Jr.

·argued that PACE would pro-

vide a consistently higher

quality of service than Tri-

lance Service of Norway.

Its first location was across Route 2. The building was

moved in 1851, and the front Greenwood native Steve Seames plans to restore the former Scribner Farm

on Route 2 in Bethel as an educational can't believe i and historical center, and to make avail-

able space for community gardens.

sound, he said, but sills be- section of today's house was constructed in 1877.

With two front, side-by-side rooms, he said, "It was built like the [Bethel Historical Society's] Moses Mason House." A barn and a carriage house

Town, which is frequent-

ly forced to call on PACE for

They also noted that Wood-

stock had made that change

a year earlier and appeared

quite satisfied with the ar-

But Tri-Town supporters argued that it provided quicker

response time than PACE, and

they pointed out that if Green-

wood dropped Tri-Town, it would be the final nail in the

financially beleaguered res-

cue-service's coffin - leaving

local towns with no choice in

the matter of who provides

paramedic-level backup.

rangement.

were also built around that Sweatt. time, but have since been tak-

en down. The first Scribner name recorded as a res-

ident was Adelbert Scribner. who was born there in 1857. The proper-

ty operated as a farm on 11 acres, including the land on which the Route 2 ap-

proach to the overpass now sits. The Scribner family owned the farm until 1933, when it was bought by the Sweatt family.

Seames bought it from Mary Sweatt, the widow of Clayton

Next steps

In the next month Seames plans to start cutting the trees on the property to create upland pastureland for sheep and a pair of longhorn steers, which will work as oxen in plowing and harvesting the

He will also offer community garden plots for interested residents. Extra food that he raises himself will be donated to the Bethel Food Pantry: "I hope to provide sufficient food so everyone can have fresh vegetables once or twice

a week," he said. Immediately behind the house he plans to create terraced gardens to preserve See FARMSTEAD, Page 5

Cats and dogs snuggling into new furniture niche

By ALISON ALOISIO

Cat beds with bed posts.

Dog crates that look like end tables. A litter "box" that stylishly disguises its true purpose.

Creating such items has turned into a thriving business for Randy and Brenda Malm of Woodstock. In 1993 Randy was living in Massachusetts and doing lathe

work at home for the Eldred Wheeler Co.

"I had a bunch of extra bed posts," he said. "I decided to make a bed for my cat.'

The result - a small-scale version of a quality human-style bed - prompted an acquaintance to suggest Malm try selling

"He said 'the way people take care of their pets, I bet you

sell a million of them," said Malm.

A few years later, after moving to Maine, he did put them on the market, advertising the beds in cat magazines under the company name, "Classic Cat Beds." He made the beds from ash, cherry and mahogany.
"I sold between 250 and 300 in three or four months," he

But advertising was expensive, he said, and after a few years the small side business petered out.

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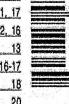
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WHO ARE WE ELECTING

To the Editor:

A good question people might want to ask themselves these days is, "Who are we electing from our Towns to sit on our 'School Board?" Monday night as I sat in at a School Board meeting as a resident of Andover, holding onto the hope that the 16 board members who held the fate of our School in their hands would find compassion for our town. It was very eyeopening. I'm not someone to write letters to the editor, I'm usually quiet and blend in with a crowd. However, certain things must have light shed onto them, and I feel compelled to share with you, what I heard and saw with my own two eyes and ears.

Now before I continue on, this is not a ploy to get back at anyone with cheap shots, these are just the facts. I knew going to this meeting that continuing to close the Andover Elementary School was still a high probability. I didn't go thinking we had this in a hand-bag, or wearing rose glasses. What I wasn't prepared for was to listen to Debbie Webster, who is elected by Newry, counter Andover School Board member Tim Akers after he stressed the benefits of a small school for a learning environment. Debbie came back and stated that large schools are beneficial to students as well. I already feel that Debbie Webster sitting on SAD 44 School Board is a huge conflict of interest as she is opening her own private middle school and could potentially benefit from Andover's school closing. Perhaps people would rather send their kids to Newry (her private school) 'instead of busing Andover kids all the way to Bethel? Wouldn't her Vote to close Andover Elementary be to her own benefit? Now going back to where I had started, Debbie Webster feels a larger school has a lot to offer our Children of Andover. If we look back two months ago in the Bethel Citizen this is what it reads: "The Websters decided to teach their children at home because a public school couldn't match the teacher-pupil ratio she could provide." (Is she saying a large school can't offer as much as a small school can? That's ironic because Monday night she made sure to point out that a large school was good for our children in Andover) The article goes on to say, 'We can meet their academic needs individually in a shorter time period than a typical school setting, giving them consistent time to just be kids-- play, read, relax and create," she said. "It was also a strong moral decision- we wanted to be sure to instill in them strong core values before sending them away all

So two months ago she feels kids need to have kid time to play, read and relax and be kids and not be gone away from the home all day? How does she feel about our kids being gone all day long on a 45-minute bus ride? In today's world you have to be careful what you say cause it can come back and bite you.

Also I think its very important for the Public to know that Stacey Sandvoss, a School Board member for Greenwood, asked the superintendent not once, but twice "If we vote to keep Andover School open, your saying no other jobs would be cut?" The Superintendent David Murphy assured her, that was cor-Frect and actually it would re-instate two jobs (Because of two "recent retirements in Andover School) Surely after her checking her "t's" and dotting her "i's" she would vote not only to keep Andover open at no additional cost or loss of jobs, but it would also give two teachers back a job. Wrong! She knowingly voted to close AES, and to shut off the opportunity for two teachers to get their jobs back. Why? So the money can sit in contingency funds. The money to keep Andover open, \$214,000, is still going into the budget and not saving any towns money. Instead it will be a nest egg for SAD 44. I really think some of the School Board members have pushed through their own personal agendas. We elect people to represent our towns and make educational decisions to better SAD 44 not just Bethel. It feel's like were in a one-sided relationship, we are good enough to take money from, but not good enough to be extended an olive branch. (We only asked for one more year for SAD 44 to support us, while we looked into other options) That being said, I think towns should really look into who they elect to sit on the board. I will say that there are some School Board members non mist and I thank them for that. Unfortunately the truth is it's the minority.

Jane Clukey, Andover

CANDIDATE FOR SELECTMAN

To the Editor:

Edward M. Snook

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I grew up in the Town of Bethel hearing the selectmen referred to as the "town fathers," for good or ill, depending on how one felt the proper direction of the vote should have or should have not gone. Some people still refer to them as such. Since I am running for the office of selectman (a.k.a. selectwoman, although I am not big on political correctness) and if elected it would naturally follow that I would be a "town mother." Now, that description I can relate to as I have grown children and grandchildren.

For the past twenty years plus I have been employed by SAD 44 in the transportation department driving your children to and from school. I have served on the Planning Board and am currently on the Board of Appeals. I firmly believe, that if possible, it is important to serve your community and give of your time for the benefit of that community. To that end I would appreciate your vote. I will do the very best I can to represent you. I am also sure there will be a learning curve as there always is when tackling something new. When I need to be educated on a topic I am unfamiliar with and if I feel you can help I am counting on you folks to help me make informed decisions.

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VOTE DOWN SCHOOL BUDGET

To the Editor:

SAD 44 school board members recently voted to close Andover Elementary School unless Andover citizens are willing to pay an additional assessment of \$214,000 over and above the \$480,000 already assessed to the town. Their justification for this is declining student numbers, yet the Superintendent continues to allow some Andover children to attend other schools rather than keeping them in the school in the town in which they reside. School population figures would show a different picture if this practice was stopped. If parents want their children to go to another school — they should be paying — not the town.

Andover students have shown they are getting an excellent education, meeting and exceeding the scores of other students from other towns in the district. Closing our school would not only hurt our children, but also adversely affect the whole community of Andover. This move has raised many unanswered questions. Why is Andover being assessed the additional \$214,000? What will this money be used for? Will your school be next? Is this the beginning of a move that will ultimately result in a huge new school that will house all district elementary students thus resulting in huge debt to the district?

I urge all district citizens to vote the upcoming school budget down until these questions can be answered and I urge all Andover citizens to become involved in the effort to find a solution which will keep our school open. Whether you have children in school or not — the ultimate fate of the school will affect you - not only as a taxpayer but also in keeping our community alive and thriving. Without children there is no future. We can't let this happen. Please vote the proposed builget down and join with us in working for the future of the children and all towns in the district.

Judy Tabb, Andover

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON TYLER ROAD

To the Editor:

The Tyler Road is in Mason Township, Maine. Its creation as a public road can be traced to 1803. Records of the road are also found in town documents following incorporation of the Town of Mason in 1843. Deeds describing properties along the road consistently reference the road as a town way. When Mason de-organized in 1935, jurisdiction over the road passed to Oxford County.

Today, Mason Township has a small year-round population. It is located west of Bethel, near New Hampshire. Most of the township now lies within the White Mountain National Forest. Over the years, the county has maintained the Tyler Road at public expense at a level consistent with local needs. This maintenance included occasional grading and repair of storm damage. The road is not plowed in winter months.

The road provides access to a number of privately held parcels whose owners use their land for cabins, camping, 4-season recreation, and timber harvesting. The road also provides public access to the National Forest. Property owners in the township and the public have relied on the public status of the Tyler Road for generations without challenge.

Unfortunately, in the past year a couple who purchased a 21-acre parcel straddling the road in 2005 has challenged whether the road is public. They have filed a law suit asking the court to declare that the road is their private property. Our efforts to resolve the dispute have not been successful. As news of the dispute spread, county officials received more than a dozen letters, plus numerous phone calls, from residents urging the county to retain its longstanding public control of Tyler Road. Given the great expense and difficulties the litigation will entail for the county, and on advice of our legal counsel, we have determined that it is in the public interest that we exercise our statutory power to lay out and take roadways to reassert the public's rights to Tyler Road rather than leave it to the long and costly process in court.

Nobody likes to use eminent domain power. We are doing so not to take anything away from anyone, because the road has been there some 200 years, but only to clarify its legal status. It is unfortunate. However, it would be far worse for the County Commissioners to ignore a small community's heritage, and turn their backs on local property owners and a much larger public all of whom rely on the Tyler Road for a variety of endeavors.

> Oxford County Board of Commissioners: Caldwell Jackson, Chair; Steven M. Merrill, David A. Duguay

KUDOS TO TELSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL

To the Editor:

Kudos to the Telstar Middle School group and their advisor Melissa Prescott for the work that they have done in setting up Bethel's inaugural Relay for Life on June 10. It would be hard in this day and age not to know someone who is fighting or has fought the battle against cancer. The only way we can lick this horrible disease is with research. And that usually means supporting teams of researchers for years in hopes that one of those teams' ideas turns out to be successful. The American Cancer Society funds many such research teams but can only afford to fund a small percentage of those teams that have promising ideas because of limited funds. Relay for Life is the signature fundraising event of the American Cancer Society and it is finally coming to Bethel. It is a walkathon where participants will be walking laps around the track and the adjacent pathway from 12:30 to 8:30 in this 8-hour Mini Relay.

The kids have started the ball rolling. But Relay is known nationally as a community event. It is being held on the school grounds but the event is open to everyone, not just students, and you need not be present for the entire event to participate. It is now up to the adults in this community to rally behind this cause adopted by our youth and show our support. There are many ways that you can show your support. How can you help?

- Form a team or join a team. Details to register can be found at: http://www.wix.com/tmspop/

trails#!relay-for-life. - Help out with the organization of the event. In particular, Melissa is looking for someone who can take over the organization and solicitation of food for the 5:30 BBQ. Melissa can be reached at prescotm@sad44.org. Help out with the running of the event by volunteering to do such things as cook burgers and dogs, or come at the end for the cleanup committee.

- Make a donation to someone who is participating. - Drop in/Drop off: Come by on Friday, June 10, between 12:30 and 8:30 and walk a lap in honor

or in memory of a cancer victim and drop off a donation while you are there. I hope that you can consider being involved in this wonderful community event in one form or

another. Thanks for whatever you can do.

Loraine Duclos, Greenwood

'Celladore'

From the 1954-1964 Journals of Beckie Bailey, Installment 18 The First Years: Settling In

B.B. came to meet me and we had supper with Miss Fan. She, before her marriage, had lived for eight years in Marblehead and she couldn't wait to hear how the boys liked the city. I could hardly wait to get back up here, to make the turn onto the dirt road and ride up the hill. It had not been a dream after all. Celladore was still here. The shadows over the mountains were mysterious, the low shingled house sat snug and sheltered by the north hill as though it had always been there. The first real thing I noticed was the porch. "Why, you've found a place to put the loom and the spinning wheel and all those extra chairs; it looks wonderful."

"Hurricane Edna did most of that," said B.B. "you should have seen the spinning wheel go sailing over the fields and into the woods. I think that I found all of it though. All the woodbine vines were stripped from the porch posts before I could even get out the door to try to batten down the best of the porch furniture. Some of the oldest lawn chairs were broken, not antiques, so I split them up for kindling wood. The peach tree and the pear trees were uprooted but we had no serious damage. Come see what I've done in the house, though I didn't get half as much accomplished as I planned to."

We went in the front door. B.B. had made use of all the available space there, the triangular opening under the stairs. There was a shelf for hats, a rod to hang a few coats. The lower part was filled with drawers. He had found two long thirty-inch ones in the attic which would go next to the floor. Above them he had built a twenty-inch and a ten-inch drawer. The little one, he explained, wouldn't hold much but it was necessary to fill the space to make a clean line; it might do for gloves. In front of the lowest smallest triangle next to the floor was a little door. Since the living room was still like a secondhand store anyway, he had moved the surplus boxes in there. He finished by saying, "Since you seem to want to keep a lot of beds around, I put the single rollaway in behind the coat bar." It was a marvel of ingenuity; my mind raced with pleasure. In one of the large drawers I could keep all my sewing supplies.

We moved on to the living room. He had extended the sills of the three joining windows on the south wall and under them made two twelve-foot-long shelves for books. I admired the work much, our eyes met, we smiled, each of us thinking we would have to fight off Miss Fan or she would have the wide sill loaded with knickknacks. "I didn't dare build any bookshelves in the north room." B.B. went on. "The floor is so shaky; it will have to be fixed before any more weight can be put upon it. Come upstairs."

He had rehung two doors so that they now swung into the bedrooms which left the hall space free. On the one wide wall stood the pearwood blanket chest. After coming home from the wars, we had bought it on our fourth wedding anniversary, the first one that we had spent together. We had borrowed a car and gone driving over all the back roads, up and down hills, rejoicing once again in the flashing colors of autumn.

Open the door under the eaves," said B.B. I did; all the boxes were gone. There was a four-footsquare open space in the middle, and around the three sides from floor to celling were shelves of varying heights and widths, glorious empty shelves. "You can paint the walls and ceiling white for light," said B.B., "and then you ought to have room enough for a linen closet, your knitting and sewing things and all the claptrap that you always wanted to save but couldn't due to moving. I put all the stuff that was in here in the southeast room. It was the nearest place and seemed to be the most unsettled." I was drunk with joy already, but there was more to see. We went into the big southwest bedroom. On the low wall under the sloping roof were more bookshelves. "I thought," said B.B., "that this would give you a start on emptying boxes and get you out from under the shadow of that stump." My thanks were enthusiastic. I could hardly wait for morning to

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10 years ago: Ersel Murphy, 97, was the recipient of Bethel's Boston Post Cane. The West Paris Boston Post Cane was presented to Arlene Farr, 97.

Franklin Grange 124 of Bryant Pond presented an 80year membership certificate to Lewis Woodworth.

Wilbur Crowell suffered broken ribs and leg injuries when his ultralight crashed short of the runway at the Bethel Airport.

Births: Kurtis Eli Grover, Haley McIntosh.

Deaths: Thomas W. Ken-

nagh, Ruby L. Largey. 20 years ago: A 100-by-40foot storage shed and workshop at the Carter Farm on Middle Intervale Road was

leveled by fire. Tim Korhonen was harvesting firewood by non-mechanized means from the Gould Academy stand in Albany Township. The firewood was

to be used in woodstoves at the academy. The Northeast Gathering of the Clan MacBean was held at the Moses Mason House...

Births: Graham Davis Perham, Janna-Lynn Marie Buck, David John Lawrence, Katrina Dawn Jackson. 30 years ago: Mundt-Allen

Unit, American Legion Auxiliary's Miss Poppy was sixyear-old Sarah Wight, daughter of Stephen and Peggy Wight.

The Oxford County Republican Committee sponsored a reception for Senator William S. Cohen at the Moses Mason House.

The Bethel Savings Bank announced that Vicky B. Myers, Assistant Treasurer. would assume the position of Branch Manager of the Main Office.

Birth: Stacy May Swan. Death: James Lassiter.

40 years ago: A fire of suspicious origin destroyed a van belonging to the Bethel Civil Defense which was being remodeled for a mobile kitchen and aid station. Sam Jones, former basket-

ball player and super-står with the Boston Celtics, was guest speaker at Gould Academy's spring athletic banquet.

Births: Thomas Matthew Carney, Douglas Lee Penney. Deaths: Truman D. Thurston, Frank E. Greenier. :

50 years ago: Dexter Stowell and Wallace Saunders, attended an executive meeting of the Woodturners Service Bureau in Boston. Damage estimated at \$200

was caused at Crescent Pärk School when entry was forced at the back door and a filing cabinet in the superintendent's office was broken open. No money was taken. Bethel Inn Golf Club season

memberships were \$35 for an individual and \$60 for a fam-

Births: Carleton Howard Hall, Judith Ann Campbell, Deaths: L. Harry Emery, Donald J. Andrews.

60 years ago: The eighthgrade class at the Bethel Grammar School was planning a benefit fair to raise money for a class trip. Birth: Rodney Ellsworth Chase, Jr.

Deaths: Harry H. Brown, Aaron Loper, Mrs. Mary-E. Felt, Mrs. Nellie P. Winchell. 70 years ago: A largely attended hobby show was held at West Bethel.

Death: Mrs. Lucy Demeritt. 80 years ago: The E. L. Tebbets spool mill at Locke Mills was running evenings for a

Whooping cough was prevalent in town.

Deaths: Miss Estella Bean, Mrs. Sylvia Howard, Mrs. Hannah E. Wright, Mrs. Marjorie J. Bennett, Mrs. Elizabeth Bragdon.

90 years ago: H. N. Bragdon broke his arm while cranking

100 years ago: Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens of Portland, national president of the WCTU, was speaker at a county convention held at Bethel.

Electric lights were installed at the Bethel Library. Ladies of the Congregational Church shipped a barrel of clothing and reading material to a school in the South.

Deaths: Mrs. Susan B. Chapman, George Seavey,

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AES

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About 85 people turned out for Monday's meeting, and for half an hour directors listened to their comments.

Andover residents expressed concerns about the effect of closure on the future of the town itself and its economic well-being. Several asked to keep the school open another year in order to give residents time to come up with an alternate plan for its future. Some questioned directors' motives in voting for closure.

Among the comments:
13. No one really knows what
this will do to the town or the
15chool district," said Mark

Shraiberg.
"We are a family, not just a 'school," said Jim Coolidge.

"We're sending children who are little more than babies on two 45-minute bus rides a day," said Janet Farrington.

"I believe this board is basing this decision solely on the bottom line," said Wayne Delaño. "This is a very dangerous direction you're taking. What appens if some town starts to follow you lead, and starts basing their relationship with the district solely on their budget? I also believe that if you pass this school closing you are beginning the first stages of dismantling this school district." Also speaking in favor of keeping the school open another year were Oxford County Commissioner Dave Duguay and State Rep. Matt Pe-

As for Andover's option to raise the \$214,600 itself to keep the school open, Selectman Keith Farrington, a former SAD 44 director, said that is not enough time for town tax-bayers to adjust to the expected 25 to 30-percent tax increase that would be needed.

terson (D-Rumford).

Farrington proposed an interlocal-agreement style arrangement between Andover and the district under which the town would pay more money, but less than \$214,600, to the district to keep AES open. For example, he said, Andover could pay for the cost of operating the building itself.

Supt. Dave Murphy said, thowever, there was not enough time left in the FY'12 timeline to set that up for next

When board members had their turn to comment, Andover Director Tim Akers said he felt the decision to close had come too late in the budget cycle and without enough consideration. Fellow Andover directors Sid Pew and Keith Smith also argued against closure.

But Bethel director Lynn Arizzi said Andover residents would still have the option to pay to keep their school open fiext year, and they could then propose an interlocal agreement for future years.

Newry Director Deb Webster, a member of the board's Finance Committee, defended putting most of the \$214,600 into contingency accounts. She said the funds could be used to hire another teacher for grades that might otherwise have more than an advisable number of pupils in the classroom.

And any money not used, she said, might be carried over to the following fiscal year, when federal funds that the district has received will run out.

Webster also said that Andover voters had an opportunity at their 2010 town meeting to decide to raise money to keep their school open, and declined to do so. [The closure was first proposed last year, in order to give the town time to consider its options.]

Bethel Director Pat Nasta said her vote to close the school was not just about mon-

"If we had an unlimited budget we would have smaller schools in every town," she said.

And regarding concerns about lengthy bus rides, she said her own children had had long rides to elementary school. The rides included legs by both car and bus through Waterford and Albany. She said her children had still "thrived" in school.

Directors Sheryl Morgan of Woodstock and Kristen Drew of Bethel changed their votes from April, voting Monday against closure.

Morgan said she had previously believed closure would save taxpayers \$214,600, and after learning that was not the case, she said she preferred the money be spent to keep the school open.

Also voting against closure were Pew, Smith, Akers and Marcel Polak of Woodstock.

Polak said possible uses of the contingency money were only theoretical at this time, while closure of the school would be a certainty. Given that choice, he said, he would vote out of concern for the certainty.

For the next steps in the AES process, see sidebar.

The School Board will hold a special meeting May 31 to set dates for the district vote on the proposed \$9.6 million FY'12 budget. The district-wide meeting is expected to take place June 21, with a referendum validation vote on the figure approved to follow on June 28.

AES kids on TV

On a happier note for the Andover Elementary School, district officials praised the school and its staff for a "Kid Correspondent" video piece on Channel 13, WGME. To see the video, go to www.wgme.com/newsroom/features/correspondent/videos/vid_58.shtml.

Andover

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would be in a position to applyoach the district about an agreement for the following year to divide funding for the school between Andover and SAD 44. Andover would still shoulder a greater percentage than it would under a normal school budget scenario.

If the town declines to raise

the funds this year, the only way the school could be reopened in the future would be

by a vote of the School Board.
The Save/Recreate Andover
Elementary School Committee will meet in Andover tonight (Thursday) at 6:30 p.m.
to discuss strategies to save
the school.

<u>Briefly</u>

Local Option vote set in Woodstock

WOODSTOCK—Selectmen Tuesday approved a referendum yote for June 28 on two questions: whether or not to allow the operation of state liquor stores and agency liquor stores on days other than Sundays; and whether to allow such operations on Sundays. A public hearing will take place June 21. The vote will take place as a result of a petition from Breau's Too.

Telstar Art Exhibition next week

BETHEL—Telstar Middle and High School students will showcase their visual and performing arts accomplishments at the Telstar Art Exhibition May 25 at the Telstar Complex. This event will feature student performances, films, pottery demonstrations, and a variety of two and three-dimensional artworks. The two-dimensional artworks will remain on display on the walls of the complex through June 3. Admission is three,

Local town swim programs

AREA—This summer's swim programs to be held by the town of Bethel, the town of West Paris, and the town of Woodstock will once again feature Red Cross Instructor Ellie Kingsbury. Information for the programs is now at the local town offices. The cost is \$10 per child for town residents and \$15 per child for non-residents. The dates of the program are as follows: Bethel: "Tuesday, June 21, Friday, July 8; West Paris: Monday, July 11, Friday, July 22; Woodstock: Monday, July 25, Friday, Aug. 5. There are no classes on the weekends.

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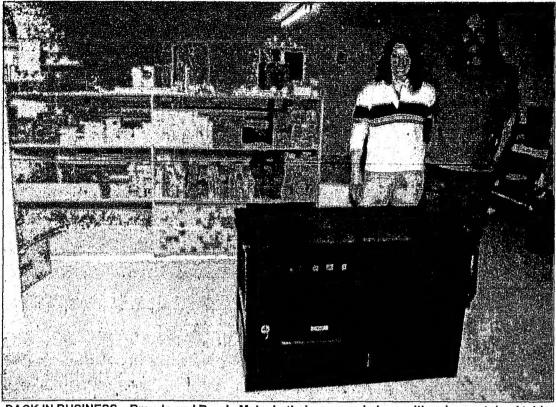
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BACK IN BUSINESS—Brenda and Randy Malm in their new workshop, with a dog crate/end table.

He continued his at-home lathe work for Eldred Wheeler. In 2005, not long after he and Brenda got married, a friend suggested Randy give pet furniture another try.

He did, adding dog beds to his products and changing the company name to Classic Pet Beds.

Then Brian Peterson, owner of Peterson's Pet Stop in Bethel, suggested Randy add dog and cat "feeders" to his selection. Feeders are table-like structures with pet-dish-size holes carved into them to hold the dishes and elevate them.

The pet products store Pet Quarters took an interest. "They loved them," said Randy. "They started buying 180-200 of them every four , months."

Two years later, Randy and Brenda went to a trade show in Chicago, and "more stores began taking us on," he said.

In 2009, Randy starting designing wooden dog crates that can double as end tables. 'We haven't had a day off since," said Brenda.

The crates feature a lift-off top, allowing easy access to bedding and for cleaning. In addition to standardized models. Randy also makes custom

They sell some of their creations through their own website, but most of the sales are still made through the sites of large chain stores.

Their business continued to grow right through the recession, proof that many people will still find a way to pamper their pets.

In addition to growing numbers of orders, the Malms also received positive feedback from satisfied customers.

"One customer bought a cat bed at Christmas time," said Randy. "They sent a photo of their cat on the bed and said, 'The cat hasn't left the bed since Christmas."

'Another customer wrote that the woodworking in one of the dog crates was so good he wanted to use it as his bar," said Randy.

Two years ago, in response to the growing demand for furniture, Brenda, who formerly worked at other jobs, started devoting all of her time to staining, packing, paperwork and other support tasks. And last year the Malms hired a full-time employee, Mike Hart, as well as a part-timer.

Late last year, between the holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas, they cranked out sicpetbeds.com. Greenwood Continued from page 1

their ambulance service. The supporters prevailed, but the actual article approved last May only authorized the selectmen to negotiate an inter-local agreement with Tri-Town and West Paris for the ownership and operations of the service - an agreement that would have to be brought back to voters at a special town meeting for approval.

But when that meeting was called, the voters who turned out turned down the agreement, 32-30.

That was not, however, the end of the matter. After consultation with the town's attorney, the selectmen concluded that only the contract in question had been rejected - the vote did not mandate that the town end its existing agreement with Tri-Town.

Article Five on this year's warrant asks voters if they wish to continue with Tri-Town, at an annual cost to the town of \$12,030.

If they decline, the town will enter into an agreement with PACE, which is funded by patient fees and requires no contribution from the town.

The next article on this year's warrant asks voters wish to begin an "enhanced mutual aid" program with Woodstock, under which the two towns' fire departments

would each contribute one firefighter a day to provide two-person daytime coverage of either of the town fire stations, on an alternatingday (e.g., Monday in Greenwood, Tuesday in Woodstock, Wednesday in Greenwood'...) basis.

Woodstock voters have already agreed to such an arrangement.

Town Hall The following article asks voters to begin thinking about the future of their Town Hall.

"The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee will be asking the Greenwood voters for direction on what the they would like to do with our Town Hall, located on Main Street." Town Manager Kim Sparks says in a letter to this year's voters.

"In 2009, the town's insurance agent inspected all of the town's facilities and strongly recommended to the town manager to not allow employees or residents use the Town Hall until the mold in the building was removed.

"The selectmen and Budget Committee have had several discussions on what to do with the Hall and understand that mold remediation can be expensive.

'There have been some suggestions from a few residents: to move the Town Hall out

of the wet area that it presently sits in to a dryer location, move the Town Office back to the Town Hall, sell the building, or tear the building down,'

The estimated cost of eliminating the mold problem she

said, is \$80,000 to \$90,000. This will not be the first time the possibility of selling the Town Hall has been brought to town meeting.

In 2000 then Selectman Albert Curtis Sr. submitted an article calling for the building which he described as "falling down"- to be sold.

The article was defeated 60-

In elections Saturday, voters will pick a selectman and school director, each for three-year terms

Incumbent Selectman Arnold Jordan is seeking another term and has no announced opposition.

Voters will also be asked to replace School Director Erin Collins, who has moved from town.

There are no announced candidates for the position, Sparks said.

Saturday's annual town meeting will be held in the Jackson Silver Post, beginning at 10 a.m., with lunch provided at noon by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Greenwood Fire Department.

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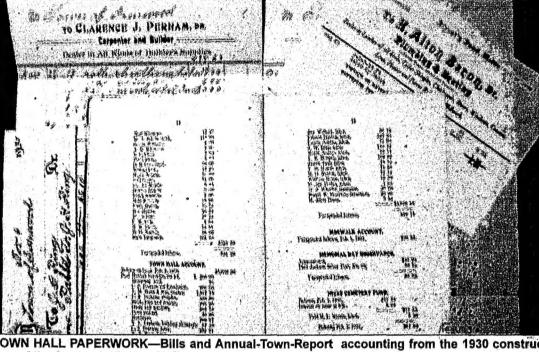
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TOWN HALL PAPERWORK—Bills and Annual-Town-Report accounting from the 1930 construction of the Greenwood Town Hall. (Photo: M. Daniels)

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"It was really a blessing in

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Then disaster struck.

May 16, 2011

Dear Bethel Area Business Community:

Sunday River and the Town of Bethel need your help. As you know the Sunday River Road is in terrible condition. It is so bad, in fact, that it is dangerous, particularly in the winter months when traffic is heavy and conditions aren't good. We worked very hard to secure State funding to rebuild the road this summer. The Maine Department of Transportation surveyed the project, engineered the road, and signed an agreement with the Town to do the work. Unfortunately, we learned recently that MDOT will not begin rebuilding the road until May 2012.

More than 500,000 visitors to our region use the road every year; another 2,000 local workers do the same. Please help get this project back on track for this summer. Please contact MDOT Commissioner David Bernhardt at (207) 624-3003 or david.bernhardt@maine.gov and tell him how important this project is.

Please be sure the Commissioner understands:

- Sunday River is the largest ski resort in Maine and a vital economic engine for our area and the state.
- No work on the Bethel portion of the road, other than periodic patching. has been done in 20 years.
- The condition of the road makes travel unsafe.
- Bethel's portion of the project, \$200,000, has already been funded.
- The Sunday River Road is the "gateway" to the resort and therefore vital to a good first impression for our area.
- Sunday River and the Town have pledged to help MDOT make this project a success any way we can.

Thank you very much for your help! If you have any questions, please call either of us.

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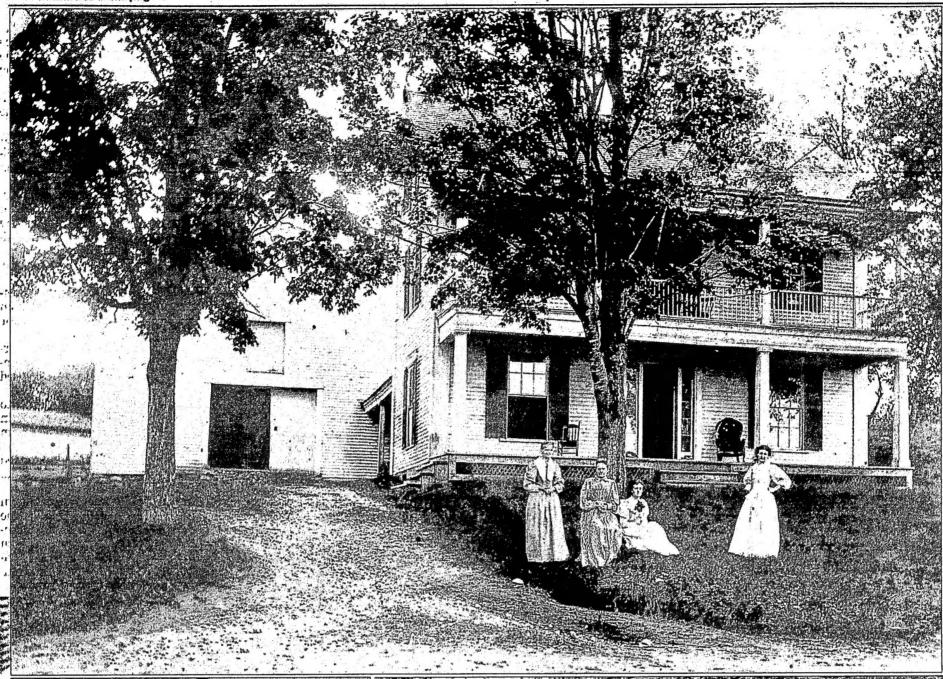
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"I plan to have an historically correct kitchen," he said, including a hand water pump, six-foot cast iron sink and cookstove.

'Using the Washburn-Norlands Living History Center in Livermore as a model, Seames hopes to use his farm and house as an educational and museum center that the public can visit. Seminars, including some on organic farming.'

Most of the floors are original wide pine boards, which he will refinish.

Two rooms will be devoted to his extensive library of 25,000 books. To create more room upstairs in the threestory house, Seames will raise up the roof of the ell by about 14 feet.

Outside, he plans to rebuild the first- and second-story porches that had been on the front of the house. Later this year, he hopes to build a new barn, and in the future a new carriage house, as well as a

blacksmith shop.
Using the Washburn-Norlands Living History Center in Livermore as a model, Seames hopes to use his farm and house as an educational and museum center that the public can visit. Seminars, including some on organic farming, would also be offered.

Seames encourages anyone interested in seeing the prog-

Top photo: Ladies on the lawn, circa 1910. Below left: Steve Seames on a staircase in the Scribner farmhouse. The original wide pine board floors will be refinished. Below right: Bruce Pierce and Jezebelle pull a log on the property.

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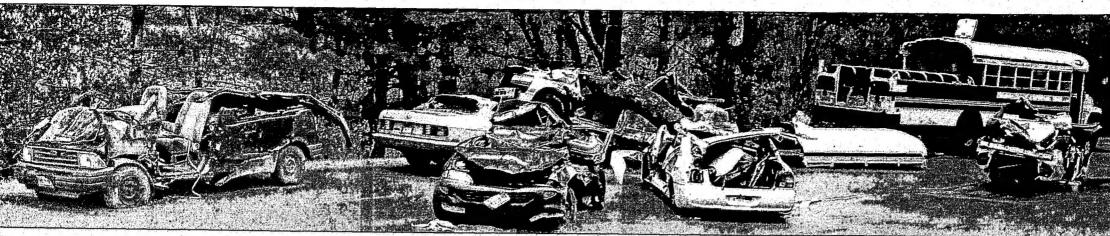
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TRAINING LEFTOVERS—Last weekend's annual Western Maine Fire Attack School, hosted by the Bethel Fire Department, Included Instruction on extrication of accident victims from vehicles. Firefighters from Maine and New Hampshire practiced several scenarios: a side impact, a car striking a school bus from the rear and running underneath it; a rollover accident; a car lying on its side; and a tree falling on a vehicle. The vehicles were donated by Gaudreau's, and will return to Gaudreau's for crushing. The bus, which belongs to the BFD, will be used again for training, according to Chief Mike Jodrey. Firefighters also practiced safely removing air bags from vehicles. "We blew a dummy 15 feet in the air with an airbag," said Jodrey, to demonstrate how dangerous they can be to rescuers. Other training exercises included rappelling off a platform at the BIG Adventure waterslide and practicing firefighter rescue inside the BIG maze. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

OCSD Patrol Log:

Tuesday, May 10

At 1:48 a.m. Deputy Matt Noyes responded to Route 2 in Gilead for a tractor trailer/moose accident.

Wednesday, May 11

At 11:31 a.m. a report was received of vandalism to a building and two vehicles on the Walkers Mills Road. Deputy Mike Parshall was assigned.

At 12:36 p.m. Lt. Tom Harriman did a followup investigation on a domestic violence case on Mason Street in Bethel.

At 1:49 p.m. Deputy Mike Parshall conducted an inspection with a property management representative on a community policing project on Mason Street in Bethel.

Thursday, May 12

At 10:21 a.m. Capt. Hart Daley did a background investigation for a concealed weapons

At 10:22 a.m. on Main Street Deputy Dennis Ryder arrested David Johnson, 48, of Bethel for felony theft Class C.

At 11:50 a.m. a caller on the East Andover Road in Andover reported a sign being destroyed. Deputy Mike Halacy was assigned.

At 3:09 p.m. a report was received of the theft of gas from several vehicles on the West Bethel Road. Deputy Dennis Ryder was assigned.

At 7:11 p.m. a report was received of a vehicle that speeds often on Route 26. Deputy Matt . Noyes was assigned.

Friday, May 13

At 12:57 a.m. A caller in Gilead asked to speak to a deputy regarding a possible bail condition violation. Deputy George Cayer was assigned.

At 10:47 a.m. A caller on North Main Street in Woodstock asked to speak with a deputy regarding harassment. Deputy Matt Baker was assigned.

At 10:07 p.m. a report was received of four juveniles, who possibly had been drinking, walking up and down Church Street. Deputy Matt Noyes responded.

At 8:55 p.m. Deputy Matt Noyes and Cpl. Brian Landis responded to Route 5 in Bethel for a car-moose accident.

Saturday, May 14

At 12:36 a.m. a caller on the Flat Road reported a vehicle kept riding by and blowing the horn. Deputy Matt Noyes responded.

At 9:20 p.m. Deputy Matt Noyes, Cpl. Brian Landis, Sgt. Tim Holland and Bethel Rescue responded to Route 232 in Bethel for a person-injury accident in which a vehicle had left the road and struck a tree. Merle G. Evans, 38, of Greenwood was taking to the hospital and issued a summons for OUI.

Sunday, May 15

At 1:34 p.m. a subject called 911 and then got very upset with the dispatcher because a deputy would be sent to the address.

Monday, May 16

At 11:43 a.m. a report was received of a vehicle passing a stopped school bus on the Walkers Mills Road. Deputy Mike Parshall was assigned.

By DON BENNETT

Coming Up: May Thursday 7:30 p.m. co-authors Jane E. Radcliffe and Linda Carter

Lefko will present an illustrated talk about their research on the "Rufus Porter Landscape Mural School" at the Bethel Historical Society.

May 21, Saturday 5:30 p.m., African Dinner, Friends Orphan Care Center, Kalamega, Kenya at the West Parish Congregational Church (read more below).

May 25, Wednesday, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Mill Hill Inn, Oxford County Democrats reception for Rosa Scarcelli.

May 28, Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Faye Taylor Art Show (elementary students) at the Moses Mason exhibit hall. Also on Saturday the Early Learning Center will hold a vard sale at 31 Main Street.

May 30, Monday, Memorial Day, Program at Bethel Common at 11 a.m.

June 4, Saturday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Family Fishing Festival at Angevine Park on the North Road.

Bethel Town Meeting starts June 14.

Theater News

"Beauty and the Beast" at Telstar it was all about symbols. The castle was the play's center of power and the French maitre d, Lumiere, in the form of candelabra played by Dusty Bailey; along with Cogsworth, the major domo,

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turned into a clock played by Dylan Coolidge; head of the kitchen, Mrs. Potts, turned into a tea pot, played by Emily DeCarolis; and her son, Chip, turned into a chipped tea cup played by Katie Turnick made up the foursome that moved the story along. Outside the castle, Belle, played by Emily Bellinger, and Gaston, the self-centered hunter-Romeo, played by Daniel Vaughn, turned the story into a love battle joined by the Beast/ Prince for the love of Belle.

Of course the Beast wins with a declaration of love, Gaston is vaporized and all the symbols come back to real life. Overall. the "Beauty and the Beast" is a much more complex drama than it seems. Although previous Telstar performances of "Fiddler on the Roof" and "Guys and Dolls" were more real life, this year's presentation by Telstar Theater was definitely a more difficult story to tell.

And the Oscars go to Lumiere, Dusty Bailey and Gaston, Daniel Vaughn. It was a good show to watch; however, I had difficulty hearing speaking parts over the music.

"Godspell" the show we watched Gould Academy's Student Theater present on Saturday evening was to my mind St. Matthew's Gospel performed like a cheeky West Side story. It was a story that was exhaustingly well presented by players who seemed like they were all headed toward stage careers. Alex Spongberg as John the Baptist stole the show in what I saw as a Marlon Brando version of the Baptizer. Amalia Sie-

gel playing the role of Jesus led the show and tells the story - extremely well I thought yet also with a good dose of "flip" that is Godspell. There was never a dull moment. Although the story moves the cast from unruly self-indulgent to true believers in cooperation but still holding a flip attitude, the solemn ending of Jesus-death and funeral procession from the stage was very moving. The cast were all winners.

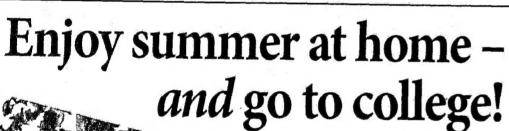
Most laughable moment came when John the Baptist, baptizing the crowd with a can of water and a sponge. tossed the last of the can's water into the air to catch anyone he had missed.

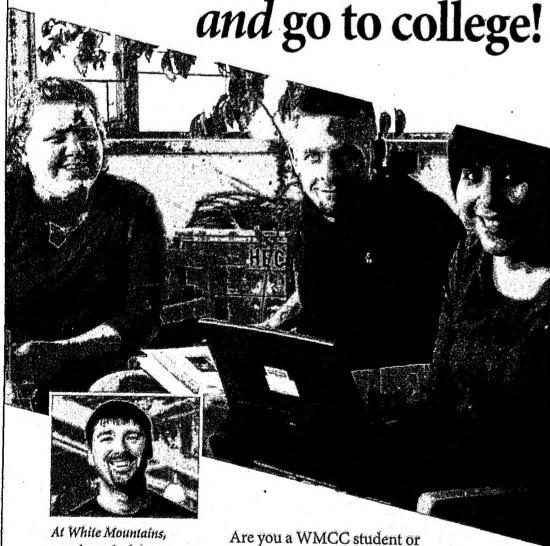
Brent Bachelder

As a Telstar graduate and North Newry native, Brent Bachelder's career demonstrates how an imaginative, artistic talent and an outward going personality can lead to a successful visual arts career. His mural commemorating NTL's 50th anniversary and its removal from the Bethel scene prompted the writing of this profile of Mr. Bachelder.

Jan Baker e-mailed this to me about whom she called one of her all-time favorite art students at Gould Academy, Brent Bachelder.

"Brent was in one of Gould's early summer school classes, in the early eighties. I believe he returned for a second summer. He was a young boy with ideas, and energy and you knew that he was going places! One of Brent's projects was a mural, in the style of Picasso which was painted





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on an exterior wall of Gould's Art Cottage, The mural was a response to an assignment, and had not been planned to be a permanent installation. It was, however, so good, and so much an embodiment of his playfulness and talent, that it stayed. The Art Cottage was painted in the fall of 2010, and, after-twenty some odd years of exposure to the elements, the mural fading and peeling away. After much discussion, it was decided that it was time for the mural to be painted over. It was, however, for several decades, a much enjoyed part of the Gould Academy Art Cottage scene.

"Brent also created a threedimensional model of the Drawing Studio in the Art Cottage, and it was my first exposure to a talent and ability for miniaturization that would serve him well in his career after attending the Rhode Island School of Design."

After Telstar and Gould. Mr. Bachelder attended the Rhode Island School of Design and Rhode Island College from which he holds a BFA degree. In 1989 he opened his own business, Club Neopolsi Creations; he has taught several classes at Rhode Island School of Design including Faux Finishing, Murals, Decorative Painting and more. He is currently very busy creating murals for roller blading rinks in Rhode Island and Massachusetts. He has been a resident of Providence, R.I., since attending the RI School

In 2008 and 2009 Brent served as Director, Out of School Time Providence City Arts for Youth. During this time, he supervised a youth project for Fargnoli Park in Providence. A video of this project's progress is on You

Some images from the video show Mr. Bachelder at work with youth and their murals; you can see these online at www.thebetheljournals.info/Bethel_News. pdf Brent's Website is at http://www.clubneopolsi. net where you can see his current work at roller rinks.

Bethel local candidates Bethel Town Clerk Christen Mason prepared a memo for the last selectmen's meeting which listed named candidates running for election at town meeting time. Candidates for the two selectmen vacancies are: Jim Bennett, Seabury Lyon, Lloyd Sweetser, Pat Carter, Larry Smith, and Peter Southam.

Donald Bennett (selectman) and Robert Blake are candidates for the two Assessor vacancies.

There are three candidates for SAD director: Katherine Botka, Roberta Taylor and Erin Collins.

New electric meter installation

Letter to the town manager from Central Maine Power Co. about installing new (smart) meters informed him that VSI Meter Services contracted to do the work, VSI uses their own vehicles not CMP orange trucks. VSI vehicles will be clearly marked. Their employees will carry picture identification and wear work uniforms with a CMP/VSI logo. Work will begin shortly.

Bethel Early Learning

Center fund drive On Saturday, May 28, the Bethel Early Learning Center will hold its first fundraising yard sale at 31 Main Street. Items will be priced from \$1 to \$2; baked goods and lemonade will be available for donations. The learning center's goal is to raise money for an electronic door lock so that a staff member can unlock the front door from inside the building and not have to walk to the door every time someone enters or departs.

Kenyan Orphanage -African Dinner

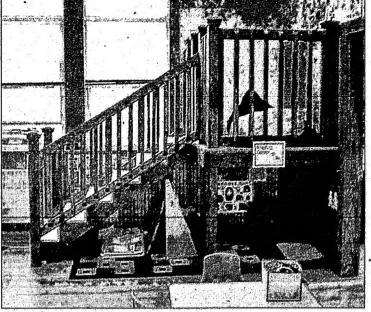
Deb Lewis has provided more information about the African dinner to be held at the West Parish Congregational Church at 5:30 p.m. on May 21. In addition to the supper, given to raise funds for the orphanage supporters of the orphanage, they are also requesting donations of fleece jackets (all sizes/can be previously worn), soccer balls (new and/or used) and yarn. People who have already visited the orphanage which is supported by the Quakers of Maine will speak after the dinner. Tickets are \$8 per adult and \$5 for chil-

Mahoosuc Community Band Concert

Sunday afternoon the Mahoosuc Community Band drew a large audience in the Congregational Church for its spring concert.

Loudest applause came for a rousing medley of Irving Berlin showstoppers. The medley closed with "There's No Business Like Show Business," A special Solo for Baritone and Piano was presented by Telstar musician Simon Smith, baritone horn and Elizabeth Smith at the piano. The afternoon program ended with a good old traditional marching band number, Hands Across the Sea by John Philip Sousa.

Firefighter training Saturday and Sunday fire-



READING LOFT—Parents from the West Bethel Head Start set a goal to provide a reading loft for the classroom, established a plan, sold endless fund raising items, created a blueprint, constructed the loft and then installed it. The loft has given the children a quiet place to read, visit with friends or just relax. Gavin Mitchell and Phil Dougherty were given special recognition for their work. Gavin presented the idea and put together a blue print. Phil constructed the loft in his garage, delivered and installed it. David Pratt, a former Head Start parent, helped Phil transport and put it together.

fighters from many regional fire departments held training sessions at Big Adventure Center. Attendees were organized into a variety of training stations/sites both in-

doors and out. Big Adventure Center's somewhat weird and darkened interior for laser tag ought to have given trainees a chance to experience disorientation. The fire departments chose a good place for training.

Outdoor power service Bailey's Outdoor Power Equipment in Bethel has closed. Shawn Bennett, Law-Bailey's grandson, operated the business in South Bethel for the last two years. Shawn now has his own outdoor power equipment business in Rumford at 7 Kerr Street, Rumford, Maine 04276 in the Virginia section. It is on the hill behind Sam's Italian Sandwich Shop.(Kerr Street intersects Prospect Avenue).

Shawn Bennett's phone number is 357-1809. He would like to continue to service his Bethel customers and will continue his pick-up and delivery service from his new From Nancy Brown:

May 16-22 is National Emer-Medical Services gency Week. EMS Week brings together local communities and medical personnel to publicize safety and honor the dedication of those who provide the day-to-day lifesaving services of medicine's "front line." To celebrate the week, Bethel Rescue is inviting people to come by the Greenleaf Station on lower Main Street to meet Bethel's EMS crew. Crew members will be there Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free blood pressure checks will be available. Bethel Rescue is also offering a free CPR Heartsaver and First Aid Class on Sunday, May 22, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The class is limited to 12 people and those interested must register by May 19 by calling Berta at 462-8984 or Dave at 381-7452.

There will be an African Dinner to benefit the Friends Orphan Care Center of Kakamega, Kenya, on Saturday, May 21, at 5:30 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church on Church Street. The Kakamega Orphan Project is a grassroots effort to help children whose

FREE DESSERT

parents have died primarily of AIDS. Since 2002 the Friends of Kakamega have raised money to finance the Care Center dining hall and dormitories and provide educational sponsorship. The center is run by Kenyan Quaker women of the United Society of Friends Women, Kakamega. All proceeds from the dinner will go to support the center. The cost for the dinner is \$8; \$5 for children. For more information, call The Rev. Virginia Rickeman at 824-0550. There are dozens of lo-

cal trails and wooded areas where wildflowers are blooming. For the past fifty years I have collected wildflowers in the spring and summer, When I was in elementary school, the spring wildflower project was a tradition. Mrs. Ruth Hastings and Mrs. Doris Lord always held spring competitions to see which student. could collect the most wildflowers. Of course, in the 1960s, the project included removing the flower from its natural habitat, pressing it between pieces of wax paper, and then binding pages of pressed flowers into a book. Today, I leave the flowers where I find them, record the flower and date in my notebook, and snap a digital photo. In the past two weeks, I have "collected" more than 30 wildflowers. In the last

few years I have found wildflowers I have never seen before; this year, coltsfoot and Dutchman's Breeches. If you are looking for wildflowers, check out some of the local hiking trails. If you are hesitant to go into the woods during the week because of hunters. Maggie's Nature Park is a "gun and bow free" area. There are also easily accessible, moderate trails where there are dozens of wildflowers. They include the Parkway and the trails behind Telstar. Right now the perimeter of Telstar's upper athletic field is awash with blue and white violets. In a week, clintonias, blue grasses, and lady slippers will be in blos-

If you need help identifying wildflowers, the Bethel Library has books on wildflowers. The library also has a good collection of gardening books, which may help you nurture the plants you will be able to purchase at the upcoming library plant sale. The library is still accepting donations of perennials for the annual plant sale, which will take place on Saturday, June 4, from 9 to 10 a.m. on the lawn beside the library at 5 Broad Street. The sale takes place rain or shine. For more information, call any one of the following: Susan Parker at 824-4767; John Applin at 836-3421; or Susan Day at 824-2741.



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dent Calli Inman was chosen as First Runner Up in this year's

Congressional Art Award. Every year one student from each of

Maine's two federal congressional districts is chosen to have

their work on display in Washington, D.C. at the Capital build-

ing. Calli has been a participant in the Explorations Art Program,

(taught by Arla Patch), since first grade. This is the first time

Patch has entered one of her students in this program, Calli was

chosen from over 50 entrees. The Maine Arts Commission se-

lects one art piece to be exhibited for the year in Washington, as

well as a First Runner Up, a Second Runner Up and an Honor-

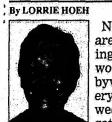
able Mention. These four students, along with the four from our

other congressional district, were honored at a tea at the Blaine

House last Saturday where their work was also on display. From

left to right: John Rohman, chair of the Maine Arts Commission.

West Bethel



New things showing up in the woods and byways every day. Last week I forgot to men-

tion spotting hobblebush in bloom. It reminds me of the spring dogwood I grew up with in my native Ohio. The scientific name of hobblebush is viburnum alnifolium, and its branches bend down to the ground and take root, thereby making something that can trip, or hobble, you. The blossoms are in sixinch clusters, with one-inch flowers on the outer rim, and very tiny inner flowers. Berries appear later and are red to black. This member of the honeysuckle family is very common in northern New England.

Also underfoot are the leaves of Canada mayflower (false lily-of-the-valley) and starflower. One morning last week Jake and I bushwhacked through some trees. and as I was watching my feet so as not to stumble, I spotted my first lady-slipper in bud. They will be coming along fast and furiously from now on and are my favorite wild-We're hearing some wood

thrushes and hermit thrushes, chestnut-sided warblers, ovenbirds, black-throated green warblers, black and white warblers, and sundry others that I can't identify by name, except that I know they're warblers. I'd be interested to know which birds you are seeing and hearing. We do have male hummingbirds feeding fairly regularly, and glorious purple finches as well.

Mike and I went to see "Godspell" Thursday night at Gould's Bingham Auditorium. It was a wonderful show, with all the cast doing a fantastic job. Of course, we were very proud to see our granddaughter, Molly, perform the role of Jesus in superb fashion. One of the things that struck us particularly was that the players were all having such a good time, which of course led the audience to

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have a terrific time, too. Kudos to everyone involved, from directors to cast to costumers to lighting gurus to stage manager, Great job!!

Some of us have begun collecting plants for the library's annual plant sale, to be held Saturday, June 4. This is a very important fundraiser for the library, and proceeds are needed more than ever in this time of tight budgets. If you have any excess perennials you would like to get rid of. please contact me by phone or e-mail, and I will contact the proper authority to arrange to have someone come and get them. We even have volunteers who will help dig and pot up your plants.

And by all means, do come to the sale which will take place rain or shine. Sale opens at 9:00 sharp on June 4, so be there or be square.

Can't write West Bethel news without input from you. Reach me at dhoeh@megalink.net or 824-2917.

Andover

By JANE RICH



Fair May off the 2011 fund raising for the Hungry Kingdom Project

Saturday, May 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The days activities at the Christian Education Building of the First Congregational Church will include crafters displaying various talents with their products for sale, a White Elephant table and a huge bake sale. There will also be a raffle.

The Hungry Kingdom program came about when a group of people were challenged to find a project that would be of help to the community. After hearing how many children often come to school hungry across our country, it was decided to undertake the project of feeding our own school children breakfast, lunch and snack milk for an entire school year.

This is the third year of this program which helps many families in these tough economic times. This is a community project with the par-

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Don Tuski, Maine College of Art President, Gov. Paul LePage, Andrea Quald, representative for Congressman Michaud, and Donna McNeil- Director of the Maine Arts Commission. ticipation of the First Congreyours truly will be joining gational Church and the Calforces to honor those who vary Bible Church in leaderhave given their lives for our ship roles. So please come freedom or who have given a out and support this event portion of them to the service and sample some of the great of their fellow man. Refresh-

Many local residents were saddened by the fire on Monday evening that destroyed the Lewis Akers farm house that had previously been owned by Victor and Katherine Akers. Florence Kraft and the Strouts and was presently owned by a family from Rhode Island as a part time home. This past winter we also lost the Walter and Mardy Jodrey home on Church Street which was occupied by the Jon Thurston family.

cooks of Andover.

The Andover High School Alumni Banquet committee reports that 90 reservations for this annual event which will be held at May 28th have been received. The evening will honor the Class of 2011. The Andover Education Fund will award three scholarships. The speaker with be Oxford County Sheriff Wayne Gallant. Reservations can still be made by contacting Melinda Averill or Peg Madigan,

Just a reminder that on Monday, May 30th, the Knights of Pythias will be hosting our annual tribute to veterans at 9:00 A.M. Local clergy including Pastor Justin Thacker,

Pastor Ken Wagstaff and

growing a lot each day, The birds are still busy at the feeders. There are more Hum-

mingbirds every day. The Catbird is still flying around from one bush to another and we noticed that at some point, he/she was joined by another one. We were just talking about seeing most of the colorful birds that arrive in the Spring, but had not seen an Indigo Bunting. He is such a beautiful blue color that he is very easy to spot. Mary Tyler called Sunday to let me know that she had spotted one. She is trying to get a picture.

We thought we saw a Bluebird on the light wires in front of the house but it flew before we could really get a good look at it. We were talking to Jeff Hutchins later in the day and he said that he has some nesting by his house every year.

My brother, Steve McLain, was at the house last Saturday. He helped us out by taking a load of debris to the transfer station. Lise McLain joined the Senior Citizens group for dinner at Crosstones Restaurant this past Wednesday.

Happy Birthday wishes go out to Cathy Newell who has a birthday on May 22.

Norm Buttrick called this weekend and his is doing quite well. Howard Reiche said that 'Stevie' is also making a good recovery from her knee opera-Fran Head sent an email last

week with quite a bit of news. Her son, Rick, who lives in Colorado, called Mothers Day. He was on his way to Hawaii for a job his company is doing, but he took time to remember MOM.

Her son, Chris, visited as did Shannan and family. On Wednesday, they all gathered for a celebration which included a birthday cake for Shannan. Chris cooked homemade French fries which were so good as well as burgers and red hot dogs. As always family visits are so much fun.

David and Fran have come to enjoy an evening game of SE-QUENCE, a board game that nice Friday, b... things is one of their favorites. Last week end, Wyatt and Fran challenged Jillian and Grandpa to a game and Wyatt and Fran won the best of three. Of course, the week before Jillian and Grampa whipped them

royally. There have been a few close calls with moose at Bog Brook, so look out coming through there. There has also been some sighted at the State Line and at least one was hit by a

car. Be very careful going along that stretch of Route 2,

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or email chapmal@hotmail.

East Bethel By WALLY RITZ

Rain,rain go away ... " sure would be nice to have: some sun again and be able to soak in the vitamin D,

Last Sunday, Jarrod and Paige Crockett had breakfast with his Mom, Aline Dupont, at the Route 2 Diner and had a great time together.

On May 16, Tasha Vascik celebrated a birthday. Happy Belated Birthday from the whole neighborhood. You are an amazing young lady!

I do hope everyone is filling out the questionnaire you received from Jarrod. He does care and does a good job, so, 🕏 help him do it and voice your opinion.

There are a few reminders like, don't forget about the clean-up day on May 21 or rain date May 22 at the East Bethel Cemetery, I sure will be there unless I have to work that morning.

Also, please, let me know who our neighborhood graduates are so we can congratulate them and don't forget to tell me about your honor roll. students. Just call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net.

It is time again for the answer to the Trivia, which. is as follows, "Two East Bethel 4-H clubs, the Early Risers and Lucky Clover, ceased to exist in the 1960s.' It sure would be nice to revive at least one club again, wouldn't it? Think sunshine!

By SENECA CORRIVEAU



At last, things have returned to a state of calm around here, if that's possieven ble for us!

My apologies to those of you who missed the column last week. Our family was under the weather, especially the youngest, but I am happy to say that he is on the road to recovery; he's just being

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us for most of the week. It

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perennials are really shooting

right up. The rhubarb is also

ments will follow in the Town

Hall. For the sake of tradition

weather conditions will be

one of two things, rain or an

Word has been received of

the death of Linda Clark on

May 12th. Linda and Dan re-

sided on Pine Street for a num-

ber of years and were active in

church and community activ-

ities. Funeral services were

held on May 18th at the Den-

nett Craig and Pate Funeral

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the local gardeners, those of us who thrive when we are covered in soil, backs aching and filthy. Hard to wipe off the grin after admiring a garden just planted or a flower

bed freshly weeded. The Annual Bethel Library Plant Sale is June 4. If you would like to donate any weed-free perennials all proceeds benefit the Library and there is contact info in this week's Citizen. I look forward to the sale every year. The variety of plants is always different, new and exciting and I usually try to pull something from my gardens by way of donation. So mark your cal-

The drive to and from town is so lush and green now. It's hard not to gawk some days at the woods springing to life. They call to me and I really do need to make the time to take the kids out for an exploration. We still haven't tried out the Grafton Loop Trail - have you? Have a wonderful week. Hope you make the time to get outside, Until next week, Blessings!





Rich Jane of Andover will provide pastoral services at the Upton Union Church Sunday eve-

nings starting June 5 through September beginning at 5p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. Anyone interested in helping with ushering or with music at the services should contact Deborah Judkins at 533-2331.

Alison Aloisio's factual report of last week's selectmen's meeting was printed last Thursday. During the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, Selectman. Norm Mercier interjected with comments concerning "petitioners right to speak" as written in Robert's Rule of

After the minutes were finished and accepted with the amendment stating that the mail delivery person was not, by law, allowed a key to the mailbox, Mr. Mercier read a excerpt from his Robert's Rule of Order. (Actually, he read the same passage four 'times' throughout the

The excerpt explained proper procedures to be followed when parliamentary law is in use. Mr. Mercier was concerned about the legality of the last town meeting and of selectmen's meetings. Again it was explained that Upton, like most small towns in Maine, follow the "Maine Moderator's Manual." At the beginning of every Upton town meeting, the moderator has moved that the town use the rules of that manual, and

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the town has accepted that motion. These rules are less complicated and more fitting for the circumstances. Town meetings (and selectmen's meetings, etc.) "are not a continuing body. Each meeting is a separate session as if there had never been one prior to it or none would follow it," Hopefully, that issue was satisfactorily explained this time. Not to continue to beat a dead horse, but the introduction in the Robert's Rules of Order_states "changes have been and are constantly being made in the written rules which our legislative bodies have found best to adopt. As each house adopts its own rules, the result is that the two houses of the same legislature do not always agree in their practice ... " The book is interesting. The origin of the rules is the English Parliament where it's used as the unwritten law. Not so in the

The Treasurer's Report and Town Warrants were presented by the treasurer and accepted and signed by the selectmen.

Although Selectman Bob Brown had stated that he intended to follow, his agenda which opened the floor at the conclusion of other business, he accepted comments from the floor earlier since there were 15 other folks present with comments, questions, and issues they wanted heard. Following the "discussion," selectmen voted 2 to 1 to not act on the petition they'd received following April's meeting at the recommendation of MMA.

The same petition with added names and two other petitions were given to the selectmen by Paul Casey. These petitions will be discussed and decisions will be made concerning them at the June meeting.

The revaluation of the town is in progress, responses from taxpayers concerning their tree growth have been received, the repair of Back Street was discussed, the possibility of a CEO, and the need to have tax bills sent out promptly were discussed.

The meeting adjourned about 9:15 p.m. The next scheduled meeting is June 7.

The Ladies Aid Association's annual meeting is Saturday, May 21, at 10:a.m. It's a great time to join the group, make a new friend, and have fun all year round. ..

Ilean Tracy and her brother Silas "Foster" Peaslee will be lah.



DAIRY HEIRS WALK FOR WOMEN'S CANCER IN THE BIG APPLE—After months of planning, preparation, and fund-raising, sixteen local women and eight daughters and grand-daughters from Massachusetts, Connecticut and Colorado gathered to participate in the EIF Revion Walk for Women's Cancer in New York City April 30. It was the fourth year that the team had participated in the walk. With 24 members, this year's team was the largest yet. The team originally was made up of Hastings sisters Ann Morton on Woodstock, Mary-Alice Bancroft of Paris Hill, and Ginny Gamble of Bethel, who grew up with their brother Bob on the Hastings dairy farm in East Bethel. When they were joined by their daughters, grand-daughters and friends, the team name, Dairy Heirs, was born. The team's bright pink shirts, feature the team name and a flirty, well-endowed cow on front and back. Under the rear of the cow are the words: "Behind a cure for cancer." Several team members had names of women in whose memory or in whose honor they walked written on their shirts. Ann Morton, team captain and a survivor currently going through cancer treatment, had her oncology team listed on her shirt as well. She also dedicated this year's walk to her long-time friend Joyce Perkins, who died on March 15, and Ann carried her life-sized picture while doing the 5KM walk. Team members wore pink Dairy Heirs hats, white survivor hats, or tiaras. They carried a red Dairy Heir sign as they walked with 30,000 other walkers and runners from Times Square through Central Park to the finish line. At the start a band played and pink, white, and red confetti showered the group. The area was cleared of all vehicular traffic, but pedestrian supporters cheered from the sidewalks. Many teams wore matching outfits, and individuals had signs on their shirts honoring relatives and friends. Cancer survivors wore white baseball caps, and some women proudly wore signs telling how many years they had been survivors. At the finish line teams gathered for photos and received medallions and many gifts from sponsors. There was a feeling of celebration as hundreds gathered in an amphitheater to share their stories. The Dairy Heirs left the large gathering to walk through Central Park in small groups to explore the city before gathering for lunch, fellowship, and karaoke at a family friend's 41st floor apartment overlooking the Hudson River and the city. The group walked about a mile to Grand Central Station, where they met and boarded a train together for an hour's ride to Katonah, N.Y. From there they drove to Leslie Bancroft Townsend's home in Ridgefield, Conn. Games and family stories were shared along with a delicious dinner, then 23 people found places to sleep after a long and eventful day. After breakfast the next day people packed up and prepared to return to their homes. Two flew to Colorado, one drove 500 miles home to Enfield, Maine and others car-pooled and drove north. All returned home to pack away the t-shirt, hat, medallion and sneakers for another time. This year's original team fund-raising goal was \$2,011. By June 10 when the final tally is in, they expect to have raised closer to \$5,000. for cancer research. Donations may be made online at revionrunwalk.org and clicking on New York then typing Dairy Heirs under Donations. Checks may also be sent to team members, who will forward them.

spending Memorial weekend with Ilean's son, Rocky and his wife at their camp on Partridge Road.

Foster and Ilean will be attending the Andover Alumni banquet on May 28. They are both alumni of the Upton school as well, and always enjoy coming back and visiting

with everyone. If you missed your chance to walk in the rain today (Monday) don't worry, you can do it tomorrow, or Wednesday, or Thursday according to the

Have a great week. Don't miss next week's column! Se-

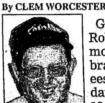
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Gardner Roberts morial brary Trustees met Tues-May day, 10, at the Li-

brary. It was

reported by Librarian Peg Susbury that an event tent has been purchased. The tent will be used for the summer children's program during outside activities. Also purchased was a garden composter for use at the Children's Garden on the Gould'lot next

ard Pond Road and Mill Hill Road. Ms Susbury also reported the receipt of funding from the Joe Emery Family of Texas to purchase a porch rocker for the library in memory of Jim Ray. It will be adorned with a memorial plaque. Other donations were coffee supplies by Brenda Devoe and garden tools for little hands

by Darlene Baker. Recent books purchased are youth books by Erin Hunter including "Seekers #4 - The Last Wilderness"; "Seekers #5 - Fire In the Sky"; "Seek-· ers #6 -- Spirits in the Stars." Adult books added are "Jennifer: Elm Street Quilters-The Last Saturday some of the

Chiaverini, "Inconceivable" by Sean and Carolyn Savage, 'When Everything Changed: The Amazing Journey of American Women" by Gail Collins," "Sing your way home" by Jody Picolt and "Miles to Go" by Richard P. Evans. Winter hours continue on Wednesdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with the Library Bees meeting Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

Robert Baker has packed his belongings and moved away. He lived in the former El-

lingwood house. Barbara Ferguson has sold her house and moved to Fryeburg.

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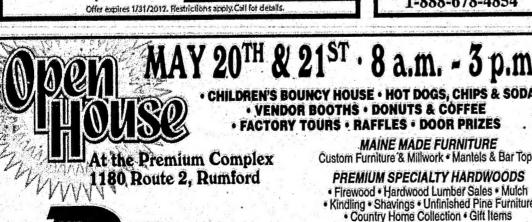
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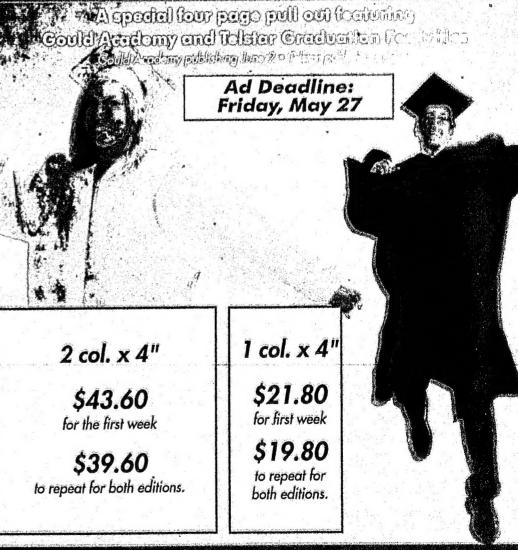


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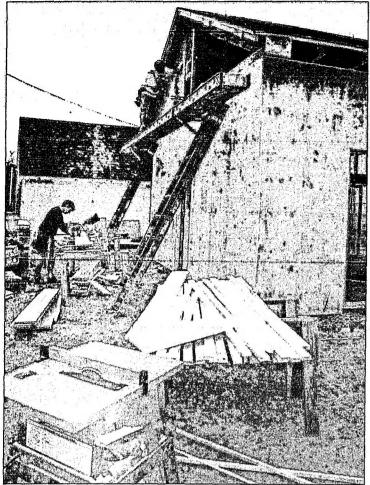


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115 went to Gorham, N. H., to meet with other Maine and New Hampshire Granges for a fun day get-together that included a plated meal and entertainment.

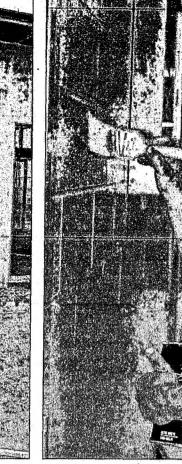
Be sure to attend the public dinner at the Rumford Grange Hall in Rumford Center on Sunday, May 22. On the menu will be turkey and all the fixings. The meal will be served from noon until

On Sunday local members of the Knights of Pythias traveled to Thomaston's Arcana Lodge 102 to attend an Executive Council meeting.

Those from this area included Donna and Clem Worcester, Hanover; Freeman Farrington, East Andover and Danny, Janice and Michael Bennett, Milton Township. They were served a lunch consisting of spaghetti and sauce.

Look outside. Is it still rain-

Hang on, there is going to be more rain in the days ahead!



<u>Mason</u> By RICHARD GROVER I think May

> this year. Have you seen an unusually large number of blue jays this spring?

is bird month

We have 12 to 15 of them at a time picking up scratch feed we put out for turkeys. Last Saturday as I was sawing firewood at the edge of niece Elsie's field, I saw several large flocks of blue jays crossing overhead; I counted about 36 birds in one and a similar number in two or three more flocks, plus a couple smaller groups of birds. The birds were all seemingly traveling together and appeared to converge and alight in a small area of woods a few hundred yards from me. I estimate there were more than 100 blue jays in all. Maybe they were having a Mother's Day con-

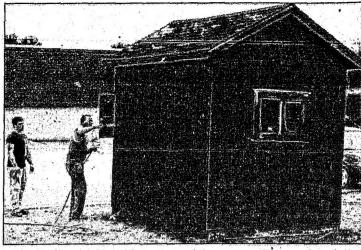
Just a few days ago, Mona and I sighted a male cardinal in a

tree just outside our dining room window, the first we've seen in Mason since "Mona's pet" of a few years ago. This was just a couple hours after I heard a female cardinal calling while I worked in the front

Last Friday, I was sawing firewood in a large pile of hardwood logs beside the road just the other side of Hutchinson Brook. Suddenly, I caught a flash of movement out of the corner of my right eye. My first reaction was to swat at what I thought was a piece of sawdust or a bug on the right side of my hardhat face shield

When that didn't work, I spun my head to the right to see the offending speck. Rather than a bug, it was a wild turkey, wings outstretched, gliding about 10 feet above the road from the top of the hill to my right, all the way down to the base of that hill and half way up the other hill across the brook from my position. This must have been a distance of nearly 200 yards. While seeing turkeys there is not unusual, this was the first one I've seen acting like a glid-

While on the subject of birds, I put out six new bird houses this spring, mostly on fence posts around my garden and posts that used to be part of my pasture fence. I'm trying to increase the population of tree swallows and bluebirds, which use the same size hole in birdhouses. I'm not sure, but I think there are birds in 'all the new houses, as well as in a similar number of old ones. Among them are one or two pairs of bluebirds. I have read that tree swallows don't like "birds of a feather" (other tree swallows) nesting too close to their own house, but they don't mind having bluebirds for neighbors. Therefore, I try to get the houses close enough together that we have both species, because otherwise the tree swallows will out compete bluebirds if there is a too limited a number of available housing. I like tree swallows because they help contain the insect population in the area.



CONTRACTORS' DAY—On Saturday community members/contractors 10 students, 10 SAD 44 staff members, volunteered their day with eight outside projects and one inside project at the Telstar Complex. Projects included: Weeding, edging and mulching of seven flower gardens; painting of picnic tables and pickup of trash around Telstar; planting of flowers/new plant pots in front entry way/canopy; ditch work along 'Rebels Lane,' from student parking entrance through to ski huts/storage building; limited painting of several 'out buildings' behind gymnasium; continued construction work on a second greenhouse; continued construction work on football coaches' tower; new coat of paint on walls and trim in the 'red tile' area and hallway between auditorium and gymnasium; and infield work on softball and baseball fields From left: Mike Kelly and Danielle Bernier construct siding for a new greenhouse; Rob James paints; Mike Pelletier and THS student Cody Winchester stain/spray the equipment a storage shed. (Photos: A. Aloisio)

<u>Bryant Pond</u>



Judith Grover tent 17 DUVCW met May 9 at the Grange Hall with 11 members. Old business; it was, voted to wait to or-

der DUV Daughters flags until next year as the price has gone up and also the price of markers. So it was voted to write a letter to deceased member's family to see if they wish a flag or marker. If so, maybe they would donate money toward them; flags are \$45 a dozen plus tax and postage and markers are \$45 each. Memorial Day plans were discussed. Past National President of the DUVCW, Gail Butterfield, will be guest speaker. Hopefully everything else will be the same as last year. Elsie told of events coming up - Dedication of a Civil War Veteran in Yarmouth Cemetery sometime, June 4 and 5 Norlands in Livermore, July 9 an event at

South Paris Veterans' home. We are going to write letters

to Ryan Reed who is stationed in Iraq and send him a box. He is a former member and Helen Ring's great-grandson. Bring things next meeting. Elsie and Michelle met with the Sons Y Auxiliary of the Sons in Brunswick recently. Sally, Elsie and Michelle visited Tent 23 at Dover-Foxcroft recently, the tent initiated several new members: Forty-two calls were reported. Alice Hoyt received the mystery package. Next meeting is June 13 at Grange Hall. Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school 9:15 a.m., worship 10:30 a.m.; evening service 6 p.m.

My love and prayer are with my husband and all Ralph's family in the death of Ken's brother, Ralph Hoyt. We would like to thank everyone for the cards and prayers.

Remember the Woodstock Alumni Banquet is the 3rd Saturday in June this year. Note change of date. This was so maybe more could attend. Classes to be honored are 1941, 1951 and 1961 and Telstar seniors from Woodstock and Greenwood.



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May has certainly not been the May of last year and I think we got thoroughly spoiled what with the lovely spring of

2010. This year has been cool and rainy and I really should get some more heating oil but I refuse to spend any more money on heating oil this spring. Enough already! I really don't like to run out because I don't think it is good for the furnace, but I will go to electric heaters if I have to. Not that they are any cheaper through the winter but they are during the spring because I can heat just one room and get by that way. But I really think the oil and gas prices are ridiculous, not that I have anything to say about it.

went with Ralph and Lorene to her mother's, Laura Hutchins, house for a lovely meal on Mother's Day. It has been two years since I have been to a family dinner because we had no transportation so it seems good to see the van running again. We had planned to cook out but that changed with the unpredictable weather and had indoor baked chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, parsnips, squash, and peanut butter pie. Those there besides Laura, and us, were Lorene's brother and wife, Greg and Fran Adams and Fran's mother, Eleanor Farrington, and the dog, Peyton, of Sweden. We had a great meal and great company and one can't ask for better than

This foolish cat Chloe and I have acquired stayed out all night, Friday, and neither of us slept very well. He came sauntering in around ten-thirty on Saturday morning looking none the worse for wear. Wish I could have said the same for us! I really don't want them to stay out all night because we have all kinds of animal life around here, some big enough to get

cats. I think my daughter, Marcia, had it right when she said that darkness brings out the worst in cats. They can find all kinds of things to get into. He's really too nice a cat not to have a good long life. Chloe found the energy to have a fast game of "Tag" with him Saturday evening but I dragged myself to bed and let them have at it. It is fun to watch them usually but I just wasn't up to it.

Crystal Lake left early Saturday morning to spend a week in Texas visiting her son, Brent, and family, and help granddaughter, Hayley, celebrate her third birthday. My, where do the years go? Crystal said she had a good time in the Dominican Republic and I have to apologize for sending the wrong brother there last week. Two days after I sent the news up I suddenly had the thought that it was Paul and Kathy that went with Crystal and Dolly and not Tony. Then I sputtered and said it would have been nicer if I had had the thought before I sent the news up and not after. Crystal said"'no harm done but I said "just so long as they didn't expect me to send them there in reparation!" I don't think my budget is quite up

I love the summer months but I miss the basketball. I am not as much of a baseball fan as I am of basketball. It is just too slow to suit me. I do enjoy the golf but I miss watching Tiger Woods, at least the Tiger who was on top of his game. He has had nothing but trouble lately. I hope that will turn around for him soon. Years ago he was even good when he made bad shots. He could use some of that again.

We have finally gotten the platform and altar built in the sanctuary of our church. The restrooms have had an overhaul and look lovely as restrooms go. The nursery is not only enticing to little ones but to some of the 6 to 9 age group as well and even though they know they are not to play there they

try all manner of excuses as to why they should be able to be back there. We have a couple of yearlings right now and three new babies expected. We love children and it is so great to have a bunch of them. We are looking forward to Vacation Bible School, According to the advertising on our walls it is going to be PandaMania. Sounds like fun! Speaking of which, I have to get off and send this up because we have a VBS workers meeting this evening and we try to be on time. Until next week you have a good one and God bless.

West Paris

By JOYCE LAMB



flowering crab apple trees along the back of the house are in full bloom. They look as though it had

snowed on them. Tulips are out in many colors. There is even a black one. Spring is here but the weather remains cold.

On Sunday, May 22, the Rev Richard Beal will speak on "A Summing Up" at 9 a.m. at the West Paris Universalist Church, Jim Burke is organist. A coffee hour follows. The new steps at the front of the church await railings and then a coat of paint. The old steps must be fifty or sixty years old, or even more, I never remember that they had been replaced since I have been attending. New curtains for the stage downstairs ligthten up the area. New valences to match for the windows will be made soon. It takes a lot of work and time to keep all looking nice.

Last week Androscoggin Home Care and Hospice held its annual Volunteer recognition event at the Bethel Inn. After the luncheon I received an award for five years of volunteer services.

The West Paris Cotton Tops have been walking two miles three times a week for almost ten years.

All slowed down this winter because of all the cold and icv weather. The group averages about six and sometimes only four to seven. We all feel better doing this.

Muffin is getting only dry food again for the canned food does not agree with her. She still begs for it though.



SUNFLOWER COMPETITION ON AGAIN—AES students have taken home American Giant Sunflower seeds for this summer's growing contest. Last summer, Jacob Rainey (above) won the \$10 prize last summer for the tallest sunflower, Jacob's was over 11 feet high. He needed his dad's help to measure it.

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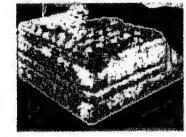


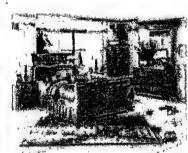
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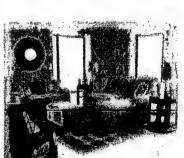
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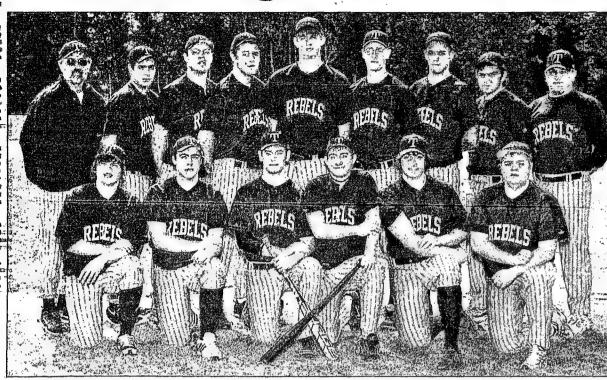
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TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2011 J.V. BASEBALL Front: Eric Lowell, Zach Mills, Tyler Cherkis, David Mason. Back: Joey Blanchard, Ricky James, Colton Davis, Ridge Latham, Colton Godwin, Nik Conrad, John Eliot.





TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2011 VARSITY SOFTBALL
Front: Grace Stover, Sarah Averill, Victoria Forkus, Katie Sumner, Gail Lavorgna, Autumn Berry, Katie Stover. Back: Jean Lawrence, Rachael Wheeler, Hannah Morin, Nicena Walker, Kayla Merrill, Lyndsay Merrill, Tasha Farnum. Absent: Kallie Brown and Zach Palmer, mgr.

TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2011 J.V. SOFTBALL Front: Edie Doyle, Hali Barter, Autumn Berry, Gaby Conrad, Jenny Wakefield. Back: Taylor Savage, Autum Morin, Jessica Dirago, Anna Saucier, Maisey Griffin, Kelsey Averill, Alyssa

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Lee, Dylan Poland, Savanna Belisle, Carson McKay, Savannnah Patenaude. Third row: Shaun Nanthesan (mgr), Hannah
Huston, Casey Blaszczak, Kim Moore, Austin Ryerson, Bronson Dean, Heather Moore, Jamie Steven, Katle Blaszczak.
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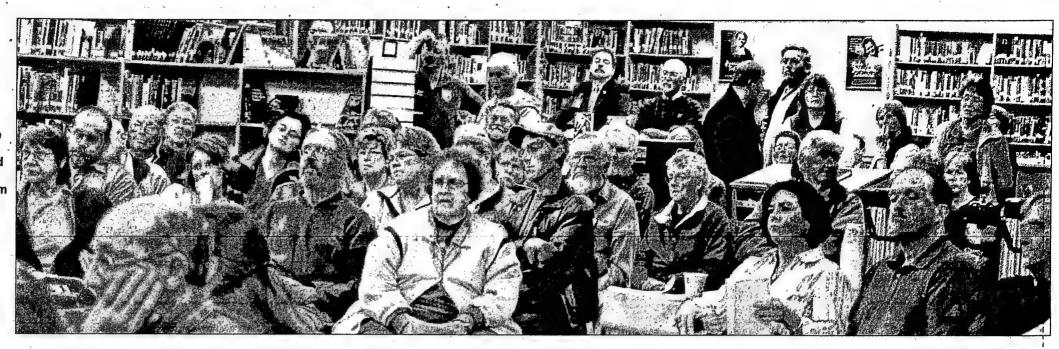
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Community Calendar

Thursdays thru May 26

Moon to 1:30 p.m. - "The Beat Goes on: Living Well with Heart Failure," Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Building, 136 Main Street, Norway, hosted by MaineHeath Learning Resource Center at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway. Topics: eating well, exercise, stress and medication management. Registration required. Free. FMI and registration: (866) 609-5183 or visit www.mnhcc.org.

Every Tuesday

5:30 p.m. - Western Maine Velo Club Rides. Meet at Bethel Bicycle, Route 2 (53 Mayville Road, Bethel). Helmets required, observation of "Rules of the Road adhered to. Non-competitive. Mileage varies 15 to 40 miles.

Thursday, May 19

9 a.m. - Clean-up of Androscoggin River. Upper Andro Anglers Alliance and Telstar students from Telstar Challenge Course clean up section from Newt's Landing, West Bethel, to Davis Park, Bethel. Community members welcome to help clean up this and other areas of the river. 7:30 p.m. - Bethel Historical Society talk and book signing by Linda Lefko and Jane E. Radcliffe about research on the "Rufus Porter Landscape Mural School." Autographs follow of new book "Folk Art Murals of the Rüfus Porter School: New England Landscapes 1825-1845' at Mason House Exhibit Hall. FMI: 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910 or e-mail info@bethelhistorical.org or visit www. bethelhistorical.org.

7:30 p.m. - Cadence, Canadian a Capella group performance at Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center, Fryeburg Academy: Tickets: \$20 adults, \$15 seniors, \$10 students. Group rates available for 20 or more. FMI or tickets visit www.fryeburgacademy.org or

Thursday and Friday, May 19 and 20 Maine Energy Systems OkoFEN Wood Pellet Boiler Training for HVAC technicians. Free. FMI; 824-6749.

Friday, May 20

9 to 11 a.m. - "A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falls" hosted by MaineHealth Learning Resource Center Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, at First Congregational Church, South Paris. Cost: \$10, scholarships available. FMI or registration: (866) 609-5183.

6 p.m. to 6 a.m. - Dance-A-Thon at Telstar High School. Donation; competition \$15 couple. Prizes, refreshments. Benefits Japanese Disaster Relief. Sponsored by Student Council.

7 p.m. - "The Reluctant Dragon" by Theater at Monmouth at Fryeburg Academy's Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center. Tickets: \$8 adults/\$4 students/2 and under free. FMI or tickets: www.fryeburgacademy. org or 935-9232 (box office).

Friday and Saturday, May 20 and 21

a.m. to 3 p.m. - Open House at Premium Complex, 1180 Route 2, Rumford. Prepay oil and propane, vender booths, donuts/coffee, children's bouncy house. hot dogs. chips, soda, factor tours, raffles, door prizes. Furniture,

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, May 20, 21, 22 7:30 p.m. Fri. and Sat., 2 p.m. Sun. - "Truly Talented Kids Variety Show" at Schoolhouse Arts Center at Sebago Lake. Standish. Tickets: \$10 adults, \$5 students/seniors. FMI or reservations: 642-3743 or www.schoolhousearts. org.

Friday and Saturday, May 20, 21

ga.m. to 3 p.m. · Huge Yard Sale at The Thrifty Gift Shop parking lot (3 miles north from Market Square rotary on Route 26), 659 Park Street, South Paris. Proceeds benefit Food Pantry. Rain sates: May 27 and May 28, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Volunteers needed 5 a.m. Friday until 5 p.m. Saturday (call Peggy 357-7072).

Saturday, May 21 7 a.m. - Annual Bird Walk, sponsored by The Western Foothills Land Trust, begins parking area Robert Farm Preserve, Norway (rain date May 22). Bluebird house, donated by Smedberg's Crystal Spring Farm, raffle. \$10 donation requested. FMI: 739-2124 or wflt@megalink.net. 8 a.m. to 12 Noon - Indoor Yard Sale at Plummer Hill

Road, Waterford. Something for everyone. Proceeds benefit improvement fund. 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. * Yard Sale by Rumford Hospital Auxiliary at 209 Lincoln Avenue (former VA building). Coffee/treats on sale morning. Auxiliary members at 209

Lincoln Avenue Fridays, May 13/20 to accept donations. FMI or pick up: Barbara Belanger 364-3648 or Jane Bubar 369-1143.

9 a.m. - East Bethel Cemetery Clean-up Day. Rain day

May 22 at 9 a.m.

9 a.m. to Noon - Responsible Pet Care Plant Sale at Norway Town Hall. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Yard Sale to benefit West Paris Fire

Auxiliary at Hill Top Pools & Spas, Route 26, West Paris. FMI 674-5890. Donations needed.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - May Fair, Artisan/Craft Fair, Andover Congregational Church. Food Sale and Grafters Exhibit at Christian Education Building, Andover. Vendors. Free coffee. Proceeds benefit Hungry Kingdom project (to feed children breakfast, lunch and snack milk for school year 2011-2012.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - The Aurora Shines Cancer

Awareness Day, West Paris. Two-mile memorial walk, plus many activities.

5 p.m. and 6 p.m. - Chicken Pie Supper at Bolsters Mills United Methodist Church. \$8 adults/\$4 under 12. Handicap accessible, air conditioned. Reservations accepted Saturday 9 a.m.-noon by confirmation 583-9024. Do not leave message.

5:30 p.m. - Kenya African Dinner and Slide presentation, hosted by West Parish Congregational Church at downstairs Parish Hall, to benefit Kaka Mega Orphan Project, organization that helps children whose parents died from AIDS. Tickets: \$8 adults and students, \$5 children 12 and under.

6 p.m. - Community Supper at Wilkins Community House, Plummer Hill Road, Waterford. Bring dish to share. FMI: 583-6677.

7:30 p.m. - George Lopez, concert pianist performs at Fryeburg Academy's Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center. Tickets: \$10 adults/\$5 seniors. Group discounts available. Tickets: www.fryeburgacademy. org/pac or 935-9232.

7:30 p.m. - Half Moon Jug Band music/comedy at The Oddfellow Theater, 17 Turner Street, Buckfield. Tickets: \$14 adults/\$12 seniors/\$8 children 12 and under. FMI or reservations: 336-3306.

Saturday and Sunday, May 21 and 22 9 a.m. - Ellis River Riders Horse Show, Airport Road, Andover. Free to spectators. FMI: 392-2381 or www. ellisriverriders.com.

Saturdays, May 21 and 28

7 to 10 p.m. - Jones Dance Band (old-fashioned dance music) at South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Cost: \$5 adults. Lunch counter open.

Sunday, May 22

Noon to 1:30 p.m. - Turkey Dinner (and fixings) at Rumford Grange, Route 2, Rumford Center. (originally scheduled May 15). Adults \$8, 12 and under \$4.

i p.m. - Upton Historical Society meeting at Opton School House (downstairs).

Monday, May23

10 a.m. - Essentials of College Planning for adults 19 and over hosted by Maine Educational Opportunity Center at South Paris Career Center, 232 Main Street. FMI or register: (800) 281-3703 orhttp://meoc.maine.edu. 6:30 p.m. - Waterford Library Bridge Group meeting. No partner necessary. Basic knowledge of bridge. FMI: 583-2729.

Tuesday, May 24

Kindergarten registration at Agnes Gray School, West Paris, if child 5 before Oct. 15 and plans to attend. FMI/ appointment: 674-2332. Bring child's birth certificate, immunization record and recent physical examination.

Wednesday, May 25

Telstar Art Exhibition at Telstar Complex features student performances, films, pottery, demonstrations and variety of two- and three-dimensional artworks. Free admission. Refreshments. FMI: Melissa Prescott 824-2136 Ext. 228.

4:30 to 5:30 p.m. - Community Supper (no charge) at Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from Telstar parking lot). Call 824-2289 for more information.

Thursday, May 26

9:30 to 11 a.m. and 1:30 to 3 p.m. - "Top 10 Ways to market your business online" seminar at Maine Energy Systems meeting room, North Road, Bethel. A third session, "Making Social Media work for Your Business" 5:30 to 7 p.m. Sponsored by Dream Local and Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce.\$20 per person (fee waived any business member of Bethel Area, Oxford Hills or River Valley Chambers of Commerce, and Fryeburg Business Association. Sign up by May 20 to reserve spot (824-2282) or info@dreamlocal.com

Friday, May 27

7 p.m. - Open Mic Night, First Universalist Church, 479 Main Street, Norway. Sign-up 6:30 p.m. Admission \$3. Refreshments available. FMI: Heather (603) 733-6350 or heather@heatherpierson.com

Friday, May 27 to Monday, May 30 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Lilac Festival at McLaughlin Garden., Main Street, South Paris. Talks, walks, demonstrations,

baked goods, lilac items in Potting Shed. FMI: Ruth Copeman, executive director (207) 515-1857.

Saturday, May 28

8:30 a.m. - West Paris Grange 298 Spring Sale and Flea Market at West Paris Grange Hall, Church Street. Baked goods/lunch available. To rent table call Pat at 674-3241. To donate clean, used items (no clothing) for sale, call Nance at 890-6711.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Faye Taylor Art Show at Bethel Historical Society's Mason House exhibit hall of art work by students Grades 1-6 in SAD 44. FMI:824-2908 or (800) 824-2910 or e-mail info@bethelhistorical.org, or visit www.bethelhistorical.org.

9a.m. to 4p.m. - St. Never's Day Sale at Bethel Historical Society under tent at corner of Mason and Broad streets. Donations of household goods, furniture, tools, dishes,

books, etc., in good condition are sought (no clothing, tires, computers or other unsalable items. To rent table (\$20) and more information 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Book signing with local author Randall

Probert for Paradigm II and other books at Melby's Restaurant, Waterford.

5 to 7:30 p.m. - Yankee Pot Roast Supper, Masonic Building, Main Street, Bryant Pond. Meal: pot roast, mashed potatoes, peas, gravy, dinner rolls, homemade pies and bread pudding, coffee, punch. Cost: \$7, children under 5, \$3.

Andover Alumni Banquet, for alumni and Telstar graduates residing in Andover, at Andover Elementary School cafeteria. FMI or plan to attend: call Melinda Averill or Peggy Madigan.

Saturday, May 28 thru Monday, May 30

Plant Sale at Maine Wildlife Park, Gray. Sponsored by Friends of the Maine Wildlife Park. FMI: Lisa Kane 557-0118 or Lisa.Kane@maine.gov. cóm.

Sunday, May 29

12 Noon to 6 p.m. - Countryfolk Music Theatre opens, US Route 2, East Dixfield. New musicians welcome. Free and for families. FMI: 645-4411.

Monday, May 30

7 p.m. - East Bethel Church Association meeting at church.

Wednesday, June 1

10 to 11:30 a.m. - "Planned Giving Workshop sponsored by Bethel Historical Society and Mahoosuc Land Trust at exhibit hall of Dr. Moses Mason House (14 Broad Street, Bethel). Coffee served 9:30 a.m. Free. Open to public. FMI: Bethel Historical Society (824-2908, info@bethelhistorical. org) or Mahoosuc Land Trust (824-3806 or mlt@mahoosuc. org).

4 p.m. - Greenwood Historical Society spring cleaning. 7 p.m. meeting. Members asked to bring cleaning supplies.

Friday, June 3

3 to 4:30 p.m. - Grief Support Group, Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Building, Norway. Sponsored by Stephens Memorial Hospital. Meets once a week for six weeks. Free. Registration required. FMI or register: Robin Green, LCSW 743-1562 Ext. 379.

Saturday, June 4

9 to 10 p.m. - Bethel Library Plant Sale, lawn beside library, 5 Broad Street, to benefit library. Rain or shine. Donations of plants welcome. FMI or need help: Susan Parker 824-4767, John Applin 836-3421 or Susan Day 824-

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Free Family Fishing Festival, hosted by The Upper Andro Anglers Alliance in cooperation with Trout Unlimited, at Angevine Park, North Road, Bethel, rain or shine. FMI: 824-3694 or fish@upperandro. com or www.upperandro.com.

All day - Bryant Pond 4-H Camp Youth Field Day/ Open House. Free. Lunch may be purchased or bring picnic. FMI or register: 665-2068.

11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - Northern Forest Heritage Park Cultural Festival, 942 Main Street, Berlin, N.H. Food and Music Fair plus much more. Fun for whole family. Admission free. FMI: (603) 752-7202 or www. northernforestheritage.org.

5 p.m. - Chicken BBQ at Blazing Star Lodge, Route 323, Rumford Corner. Adults \$8/under 12 \$4. Takeouts available. Stair chair on back stairs. FMI: Joseph N. Roy 364-4715 or concordpond@roadrunner.com.

Sunday, June 5

8 to 10 a.m. registration - Pleasant Mountain Chapter of MOAL (Maine Obsolete Automobile League) Car Show at Stevens Brook Elementary School, off Route 302, Bridgton. Awards 1 p.m. Fee: \$5/driver, one passenger. Music, food, raffles. Rain date: June 12. FMI: Bill 647-4033 or Don 693-4678 or www.moalpmchapter.com.

Monday, June 6

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - Socrates Cafe meets Waterford Library. Forum topic: "Is Bigger Always Better?" FMI: 583-6957 or wla@waterford.lib.me.us.

Friday and Saturday, June 10 and 11 West Paris Old Home Days.

Saturday, June 11 Woodstock Elementary School PTA Produce Pursuit 5k and Fun Run. 7 a.m. 5k registration (\$20 entry fee), 8 a.m. 1mile "fun run" 12 and under (\$10) 9 a.m. 5k run or walk (open to all ages). Pre-register www.active. com. Forms available SAD 44 schools. T-shirts given first 100 registrants. Proceeds benefit WES Fruits and Veggles Fund. FMI: 665-228.

Thursday, June 16

6:30 to 7:30 p.m. - Healthy Steps (second session), a therapeutic exercise program, at Harper Conference Center, Stephens Memorial Hospital. FMI or register: 743-5933 Ext. 104.

June 16-19, 23-26

8p.m. (Sunday matinees 2p.m.) - Oxford Hills Musicand Performing Arts Association presents Ken Ludwig's Lend Me a Tenor" at Norway Grange, Whitman Street, Norway, Tickets: adults \$10/seniors \$8 available at Books 'n Things, Main Street, Norway. FMI: www.ohmpaa.com

Saice II Newsletter of School Administrative District #44: Andover • Bethel • Greenwood • Newry • Woodstock

Telstar Regional High School Recognizes Top Scholars Class of 2011

Telstar Regional High School staff and students are pleased to announce the honor students from the graduating Class of 2011 These individuals have distinguished themselves throughout their high school careers. The Telstar community congratulates these young scholars for their commitment to their studies, their school and their communities.

Fourth Honors

Timothy (TJ) O'Connor is

a Bethel resident and the

son of Timothy and Teresa

TJ's contributions at Tel-

star and in the community

are many and varied. He has

participated in the Catholic

Youth Ministry for all four

years in high school and at-

tended the People to People

Leadership summit at Har-

vard University. He has cap-

tained the football, basketball

and baseball teams the past

two years. He is NHS presi-

dent and a member of FBLA

TJ is an avid outdoors-

man and sports fan who en-

joys hunting, fishing, canoe-

ing and hiking. He also has a

start his college education at

Colby-Sawyer and then con-

tinue studying for a masters

degree. During his studies

and beyond, TJ hopes to see

as much of the world as he

ina Stugent Council.

O'Connor.



Jamie Steven Valedictorian

Jamie Steven, daughter of Michael and Margaret Steven of Bethel, is the Class of 2011 Valedictorian. She is "this year's Maine Principals" Award recipient at Telstar.

Jamie never hesitates to take on a leadership role at Telstar. She leads with a smile and calmly gets the job done. She has been class copresident all four years of her high school career, Student Council co-president her junior and senior year, and is co-chair of the local Interact Club - a Rotary sponsored community service youth group. Her involvement in school activities is exceptional and also includes: National Honor Society (NHS) and Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). She is also a member of the local 4-H club.

Jamie is a Mountain Valley Conference Academic All-Star athlete who has lettered three years in field hockey and track, serving as a co-captain in both sports. Outside of the classroom she keeps busy with many dance classes and works three jobs.

Jamie will be an excellent addition to the student body of the University of Maine this fall, where she plans to take part in the Explorations program and transfer to the environmental engineering program with a minor in Span-



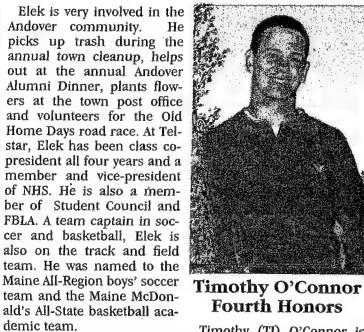
Elek Pew Salutatorian

Andover resident and son of Sidney and Eileen Pew, Elek Pew is the Class of 2011 Sa**futatorian**.



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Elek enjoys working at Suds Pub in Bethel and plans to attend either Bentley University or the University of Maine.



Emily DeCarolis Third Honors

Emily DeCarolis is an artist and musician who plans to attend the Art Institute of Boston to pursue a degree in graphic design. She is the daughter of Dr. Richard and Mrs. Karen DeCarolis of

Emily volunteers frequently at the Crescent Park School in Bethel where she helped with drama, Halloween night and Harry Potter night. She likes to travel and went on the school-sponsored French Quebec trip last year and plans to go with schoolmates

to France this summer. At Telstar, Emily is a member of the school band, drama club, FBLA and NHS. Outside of school she enjoys reading, playing her baritone horn and working on various art projects.



ing for 12 years and helps as BROOKS BROS., INC.

Morgan Lee

Fifth Honors

Morgan Lee is dancer, mu-

sician, athlete and student

leader. She is the daughter of

Chris and Alice Lee of Bethel.

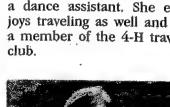
Morgan is a cross-country

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Victoria Forkus Sixth Honors

Victoria Forkus plans to attend Washington and Jefferson College in Washington, Pennsylvania next year to study history and anthropology. She is the daughter of Susan Forkus of Bryant Pond and the late Michael Forkus.

Victoria is very involved at Telstar and beyond. She is a member of Telstar's FBLA and is the state FBLA vicepresident. An NHS member, she is also the Western Maine Regional Representative for the Maine National Honor Society. Last year she attended the World Affairs Seminar and Girls State-where she won the Outstanding Girl award for her Girls State town. She has been class secretary for three years and a Student Council and drama club member. Victoria is also a four-year member of the field hockey and softball teams. She has been named a MVC second team All-Star and MVC Aca-

demic All-Star. In her spare time, Victoria enjoys the performing arts, kayaking, traveling and attending local sporting events.



Ashley Sabins Seventh Honors

runner, downhill skier and member of the track team. Ashley Sabins enjoys the She is also class treasurer, outdoors, traveling and showing dairy goats. She is frequently on the honor roll Student Council co-president and a member of NHS and and is the daughter of Joseph Morgan plans to attend Providence College and study and Nancy Sabins of Albany. Ashley has excelled in the business. She has been danc-Certified Nurses Aid program

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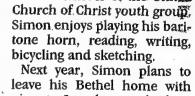
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a dance assistant. She en- at Region 9. At Telstar, she also a member of the United joys traveling as well and is has been a member of the a member of the 4-H travel band. Her community volunteer work includes helping at Albany Church suppers and the Friends of the Creswith Santa.

> Ashley plans to continue medical field related career.



cent Park School's Breakfast leave his Bethel home with parents Jonathan and Elizabeth Smith to double major in her education by pursuing a music education and history at the University of Southern Maine.



Katelyn Sumner **Seventh Honors**

Katelyn Sumner is a self confident, enthusiastic learner. She is the daughter

ner of Bethel. Katelyn excels inside the classroom and on the Telstar playing fields. She is a field hockey co-captain, MVC All-Star and previous Athlete of the Month winner. She has also garnered several awards as a member of the softball

Katelyn is a member of NHS and plans to attend Saint Joseph's college for pre-pharmacy. In her free time, she enjoys riding fourwheelers and snow machin-



Simon Smith **Eighth Honors**

Simon Smith is a musician who frequently performs at Telstar and in the community. He is a member of the Telstar concert, jazz, pit and pep bands. He sings on stage in school musicals and in the chorus. Simon is also a member of the Mahoosuc Community Band and the choir and bell choir at the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel.

At Telstar, Simon is a member of FBLA and NHS. He is



Joshua Bellinger **Ninth Honors**

Joshua Bellinger plans to study business administration next year at the University of of Scott and Lorraine Sum- Maine. He is the son of Rev. Kevin and Mrs. Nancy Bellinger or Bethel.

Joshua is the NHS treasurer and a member of drama club. FBLA and Student Council. He played on the Telstar soccer team all four years of high school and was co-captain his senior year. He also played on Telstar's basketball team and managed the team his senior

Josh has been a member of the Bethel Alliance Church youth group since sixth grade. He has worked at the Bethel Inn and is currently employed at Viewer's Choice Video in Bethel. He relaxes by playing and listening to music.



Kimberlei Dean **Tenth Honors**

Kimberlei Dean has kept busy at Telstar as a member of Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Yearbook and the Prom Committee. She is the daughter of Gary and Lori Dean of Greenwood.

Kimberlei has also played girls' soccer and participated on the Telstar snowboard club. She enjoys spending time outside camping, hiking and running. Kimber-lei plans to attend Castleton State for a bachelors degree in nursing.



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Enrichment opportunities for the children in SAD #44

From the Director 2

MKA is pleased to announce our Summer Adventure Program schedule for 2011. We are thrilled with our theme and the many field trips and adventures planned for the kids this summer. Our program is open for all kids that are in Grades K-5 regardless of where they live. We also enjoy welcoming incoming Kindergartners to our program which certainly helps with the transition to school in the fall. MKA does have limited programming for students in Grades 6-12 though our many , partners including the Bryant Pond 4-H camp and SAD44 4. Adult & Community Education. "i Please call the MKA office for

MKA is pleased to sponsi sor a Big Spring Activity Night on May 27th - from 6-8 PM at CPS. "MKA Tou-Can Dance" with Mom & Dad. This semifancy dance is open to Andover Woodstock, and Crescent Park students grades K-5 with parent or guardian. 100% of the proceeds will go to MKA summer field trips and scholarshipsi

MKA Board of Directors is pleased to announce the Annual meeting on Thursday, May 19th at 4:30 PM at CPS, Our sincere thanks to Kelly Newkirk who is going off our board after 6 years of service. Many thanks to all our Board members for their dedication to children.

-Julie Hart,

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- 7. It's Raining Sunshine Miranda Cosgrove
- 8. MAHOOSUC KIDS MASH-UP!

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include: cooking, environmental education, science exploration, technology, archery, golf, reading activities and more.

Daily activities include arts and crafts, group games, enrichment programs, swimming, hiking,

Activities are subject to change without notice.

PROGRAM DATES:

Week 1: June 27-July 1 • Week 2: July 5-8 • Week 3: July 11-15 • Week 4: July 18-22 Week 5: July 25-29 • Week 6: August 1-5 • Week 7: August 8-12 • Week 8: August 15-19

Daily Plans at Summer Adventure Program

Troopers are greeted in the gym by their co-counselors between 8:45 and 9am. Each child joins one of three age-based troops. Children Entering: Kindergarten & Grade 1: Explorers • Grades 2 & 3: Voyagers • Grades 4, 5 & 6: Pioneers



Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
MORNINGS

Explorers are busy near school with activities

such as Weird Science and Creation Station. Voyagers venture a little further into the community for hikes and exploration.

Pioneers are often away from base camp with activities such as kayaking at the 4-H camp in Bryant Pond and hiking every Thursday don't forget your hiking footwear!

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday Afternoons are WET AND WILD!

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Wednesday is our FIELD TRIP DAY!

Troopers need to be signed in at 8:30am for departure at 8:45am. Return is between 4 and 5pm

- Mount Blue State Park
- Happy Wheels Skating Rink
- Portland, ME Children's Museum
- Portland, ME Deertrees Theatre
- 5. Crescent Beach
- Cape Elizabeth, ME
- 6. Cannon Mountain Franconia, NH
- 7. Maine State Music Theatre Brunswick, ME (fee may be necessary)
- 8. Sebago Lake State Park Naples, ME

Fridays are FUN AT BASE CAMP!

All troopers have a morning of theme-based fun and exploration. Troopers help make lunch, then spend the afternoon with silly games, skits, songs, water balloons, scavenger hunts, and more!

What to Bring

We offer two snacks, juice and milk and a healthy appetizing lunch menu as part of your daily fee.

In the event of thunder and lightning, our outside plans will change in order to ensure the safety of all. However, on light rainy days, troopers need to be prepared to participate in all scheduled activities. Rain slickers are strongly recommeneded.

Also bring weather-appropriate clothing: swimsuit, beach towel, water bottles, water shoes, hats, sneakers, sunscreen, bug repellent and extra clothes. Please mark all belongings with trooper's name.

2011 Rates & Fees

Weekly Rate: \$150 (5 days) Daily Rate: \$30/day with reservation Half-Day Rate: \$15

Morning Half: 9am-12pm • Afternoon Half: 1-4pm Visa, MasterCard and Debit Cards Accepted

Summer enrollment packets will be sent upon receipt of the reservation and permission form. Payment is accepted each week prior to days of attending. Enrollment packets are available at www.MahoosucKids.org



Health & Safety

The Mahoosuc Kids Association is a State of Maine Department of Human Services Licensed childcare center. MKA is in its ninth year of operation in the MSAD #44 community offering quality after school programs for school-age children. MKA also offers the Summer Adventure Program as a fun-packed alternative to summer childcare needs. MKA is a 21st Century Community Learning Center and embeds creative learning into its programs.

MKA year round staff serves as the leadership backbone of the Summer Adventure Program. Staff members are CPR and First Aid certified and follow strict risk management guidelines. Certified Lifeguards and trained water safety staff all water activities. In case of emergency, the Bethel Family Health Center is just five minutes from CPS base and Stephens Memorial Hospital is just thirty minutes away. The safety and well-being of the children is our greatest concern.



About Our Program & Community Partners

The Summer Adventure Program is a collaborative program offered by the Mahoosuc Kids Association with the generous support of MSAD #44, our local communities, the Bethel Inn Resort and Country Club, Riverview Resort, and the Bryant Pond 4-H camp.

We appreciate the tremendous support from MSAD #44 employees, bus drivers, custodians, secretaries, food service and business office personnel who make it possible to offer fun, safe and exciting summer opportunities for our youth.

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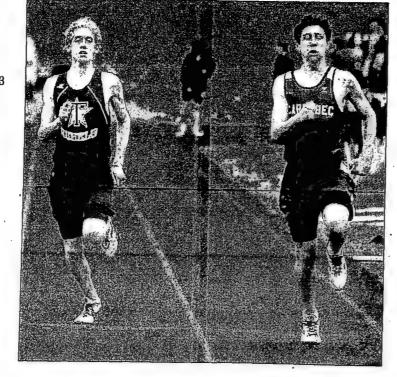
Telstar 12, Carrabec 0; May 11—Kayla Merrill threw a perfect game against Carrabec. She faced the minimum 18 batters over 6 innings, striking out 14. Kayla also had three hits to pace the offense. Lyndsay Merrill added two hits and 3 RBI's and Tasha Farnum added two hits and one RBI to lead the Rebels to their 8th win of the season. Hannah Morin and Nicena Walker added RBI singles in the big first inning as the Telstar nine scored 7 runs to put the game away early,— Coach Jim Lunney

Dirigo 2, Telstar 1; May 13— Telstar suffered their first loss in over two regular seasons on Friday. Dirigo defeated the Rebels by a 2-1 score as the Rebels could only score one run off a Lyndsay Merrill home run in the 5th inning. Dirigo scored 2 runs in the 4th inning and made it hold up as the Telstar offense could not generate any offense for the rest of the game. Kayla Merrill allowed only 5 hits and struck out 7. — Coach Jim Lunney

High School J.V. Softball

Telstar 16, Dirigo 6; May 17— Telstar's Jess Dirago pitched the full 7 innings, allowing only 2 hits, surrendering 10 walks, and earning 12 strikeouts. The Rebels did very well offensively pounding out 12 hits, 6 walks, and 4 batters hit by a pitch. Jess Dirago, Gaby Conrad, Hali Barter and Katie Stover each had two hits, Autum Morin, Maisey Griffin, and Anna Saucier blasted doubles, and a single for Taylor Savage. The team did very well to battle the wet and soggy playing conditions for

their second win of the season. - Coach Mark Kenney



DASHING THROUGH THE RAIN—Telstar's Jared Vermette, left, finishes the 100-meter dash at a rain-soaked meet held at Telstar Tuesday. Vermette finished seventh overall. Telstar placed third

Bethel Braves Pine Tree Men's Baseball League 2011 Schedule

(games at 10 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

May 22	Dixfield	Telstar
June 5	Dexter	Dexter HS
June 12	Jay	Gould
June 19	Auburn	Gould
June 26	Central Maine	Gould
June 29	Rumford	Hosmer (6:30)
July 1	All-Star Game	TBD
July 6	West Paris	Gould (6:30)
July 10	Winthrop	Winthrop HS
July 13,	Dixfield	Dirigo HS (6:30)
July 16	Rumford	Gould (5 p.m.)
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Upton **Historical** Society meets

Our May 1 meeting was held in the Upton School House. This was our Annual Election meeting. We began the meeting with discussions of old business, including the purchase of a copier, an update on Incorporation, MAM membership, and the revision of our agreement with the town for use of the School House.

Following these discussions, had elections and appointments as necessary. Deborah Judkins was appointed as curator, and Robert Folsom as registered agent. We nominated and subsequently elected Aldro French and Doug Warren as members of the Board of Trustees.

The upstairs of the Upton School House will be open for visitors on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Please stop by to see our growing collections! 2010-2011 memberships ran

out on April 30. To renew you membership, please send your annual dues (\$10) to the address below. If you know someone who would like a new membership form, please contact an officer. If for some reason you have not received your new membership card, please contact our secretary through e-mail.

Our next meeting will be Sunday, May 22, at 1 p.m. in the Upton School House (downstairs).

Democrats to meet at inn

Oxford The County Democrats will hold a reception on on Wednesday, May 25, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Mill Hill Inn in Bethel. Rosa Scarcelli of Portland will be the speaker as part of the Oxford County Democrat's Rising Stars Series.

Rosa Scarcelli, a Wilton native, is best known for her impressive showing in the 2010 Maine Democratic Gubernatorial Primary. . She is the CEO of Stanford Management, a company that employs more than 115 people and provides quality affordable housing to thousands of residents, and is a wife and mother of three children.

The reception will feature Mexican treats and has been arranged by the Bethel Area Democrats, headed by Mike Broderick, A donation of \$10 is suggested, and to RSVP please e-mail mikebroderick@ roadrunner.com or call 824-

Regional meetings were held in three locations in May by the Oxford County Democrats, in South Paris, Fryeburg and Mexico. Senator Seth Goodall was the speaker in South Paris on environment bills in the legislature this session. Rep. Terry Hayes also spoke on legislative matters. Mike Tipping, Communication Director for the Maine People's Alliance, was the speaker in Fryeburg, along with Rep. Helen Rankin on Augusta happenings. Emery Deabay of the Maine AFLCIO spoke at the Mexico session on the various labor-related bills this session. Rep. Sheryl Briggs, Rep. Matt Peterson and Senator John Patrick updated attendees on various legislative bills. The theme of all three meetings was Issues and Activism.

A Field Trip to the Statehouse sponsored by the Oxford County Democrats was held on Tuesday, May 10. The group, representing Mexico, Rumford, Dixfield, Greenwood, Gilead, Paris and Norway, attended the Senate Democratic caucus, a press event for Maine Clean Elections, both House and Senate sessions, and afternoon work sessions.

A lunch was hosted in the Council chamber by the County Democrats and featured a conversation with Assistant Democratic leader Rep. Terry Hayes, Senator John Patrick, Rep. Matt Peterson and Rep. Sheryl Briggs, Democratic Leader Rep. Emily Cain stopped by to greet the visitors from Oxford

For additional information on the Oxford County Democrats, visit the Facebook page, Oxford County ME Democrats, or the website www.oxforddems.org.

"Mrs. Smith Goes to Washington" in Mexico

performance of "Mrs Smith Goes to Washington," played by Sally Jones, will be presented on May 21 at the Middle School, Harlow Hill, Mexico, at 7:30 p.m. Sally Jones has been traveling Maine for sold-out performances in Johnson Hall, Gardiner; Celebration Barn, South Paris; Out of the Box Theatre, Lewiston; Opera House, Stonington; and the Maine Women's Hall of Fame at UMA's Jewett Hall, Augusta.

Responses production have been unqualified "rave reviews," including those of Catherine Napolitano-Ross from Peru, and Amanda Houtari of the Celebration Barn who said Jones' performance is "magical." A native of Skowhegan,

Senator Smith was a proud New Englander, a Republican in the tumultuous years of the Second World War. She was bright, courageous, and a no-nonsense Yankee who brought honor and reputation to the state of Maine, and to the Senate Floor in her denouncement of Senator Joseph McCarthy as a paranoid demagogue in his accusations and black-listing of people as "communists." The Lady with the RedRose, her hallmark, did what none of the male senators dared. As a result, she brought fame and respect to her country and her state: gifts seldom seen since. Throughout her successful years of teaching English in Mexico and South Paris, Jones was active in community activities. A mainstay of the Rumford Center Rag Tag Theatre in its seven years of dinner theatre for the Bethel Inn. She also joined the OHMPPAA Performing Arts Association in South Paris. Jones is now a trustee of the Norway Historical Society,

writing a stage musical. The intimate look at the "Margaret Chase Smith" script is the finely-crafted work of Linda Britt of Lewiston, an instructor at Farmington College. Between

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the excellence of script and performance, the evening is a mesmerizing experience. Tickets are sold at Bartash's

Card and Gift Store, Congress Street, Rumford for \$8 and at the door at the Middle School (top of Harlow Hill) in Mexico for \$10.

BHS St. **Never's Sale**

Bethel Historical Society's 14th Annual St. Never's Day Sale will be held on Saturday, May 28, under the tent on Stan Howe's lawn at the corner of Mason and Broad streets from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Donations of household goods, furniture, tools, dishes, books, etc., in good condition are being sought for the sale, which benefits the society. Please no clothing, tires, computers, etc., or other unsalable items. Items may be left on the back porch of the society's Robinson House, 10 Broad Street or on Stan Howe's side porch at 18 Broad Street at any time. Those wishing to rent a 3 x 6 foot table space for \$20 each to sell their items are encouraged to call the society at 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910. Large items may be picked up by calling the society. Founded in 1966, the Bethel

Historical Society is western Maine's largest and most comprehensive historical agency. With over 1,000 members, the society fosters a sense of place - with a focus on western Maine and the White Mountain region by collecting, preserving, displaying and interpreting historically significant artifacts and documents for residents, visitors, students, and scholars. Through its exhibits, programs, events, and publications, the society makes the region's history meaningful, accessible, and enjoyable. In 1974, the society acquired the former Broad Street residence of Dr. Moses Mason, which now contains a period house museum, exhibit hall and research library. In 1999, the society opened the O'Neil Robinson House (next door at 10 Broad Street) to the public for an expanded exhibit program, museum shop space, and administrative offices. Over the past forty years, the

society's achievements have returned to Earth, only have been recognized by a number of state and national organizations.

Probert releases new book

Randall Probert a retired Maine Game Warden has recently released his newest book, "Paradigm II," a sequel to "Paradigm,"

In 2008 Probert wrote Paradigm for fun while researching "Trial at Norway Dam." There had been some ideas rolling around in his head for year,s he said, and he decided to put those ideas in a book. At the time he had no plans of a sequel, but after receiving so many requests for one he decided to do it.

Probert said he went out side of the box exploring and researchinghisunderstanding of Greek Mythology and what is happening in our world today.

In the book Paradigm, Royce Paxton and his Dolphin crew

to discover that their world has been destroyed and there now exists one huge continent that has emerged where Atlantis had once been. This new continent is inhabited by a primitive people, who at some time had lived a some what civilized existence. But now, houses stand empty, while the villagers live in caves. Almost as if here, time

is reversing. The crew decides their best option is to return to Uhuru, but first, they need to steal a copper headstone which they believe contains answers to many questions concealed within,

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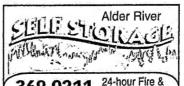
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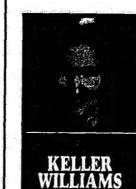
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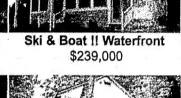
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Dbituaries

JOHN E. FOX

John E. Fox, 85, of Lovewell Pond Road, Fryeburg, died Sunday, May 15, 2011 at Mineral Springs, North Conway,

. He was born in Stow, Dec. 1, 1925, a son of Augustus and Eliza Smith Fox, but grew up in West Lovell and was educated in local schools, He was a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II.

He was employed by Lovell Lumber for 43 years, retiring in 1987. He was a very kind and gentle man who enjoyed many quality years of camping with his family, and tinkering in his garage. He also loved old cars.

He is survived by his wife of almost 69 years, Violet Fox; his daughter, Diana and her husband, Dwight Mchellan, of Conway, N.H.; daughter, Kay Legare and her husband, Paul Legare, of North Waterford; he also left behind three grandchildren, Kevin Mchellan of Cambridge, Mass., Michael Mchellan and his wife, Cindy, of Fryeburg and Michelle and Jane Legare, of North Waterford; two greatgrandchildren, Matthew Mchellan and his fiancee, Karissa Watkins and Marcus Mchellan of Fryeburg.

He was predeceased by his infant daughter, Fay Ann Fox; and his only sibling, Charles Fox.

We appreciate the special care that Merriman House gave to dad during the seven years that he was a patient there and also to Mineral Springs Nursing Home during the last two years of his life. For the many years that he was in the nursing home his wife, Violet, would

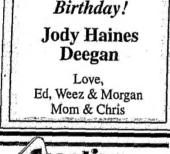


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nursing home, Violet would

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erside Cemetery, North Fryeburg. In lieu of flowers, me-

morial contributions may

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Nursing Home, PO Box 3417,

Norman A. Perham, 93, of

Woodstock, died May 13, 2011

at Maine Veterans' Home,

He was born in Woodstock,

Oct. 4, 1917, the son of Nelson

and Emma Perham. He enlist-

ed in the Army on May 3, 1943,

and served as a radio operator

and mechanic until his honor-

able discharge as a sergeant

He was an avid reader and

loved visiting with his many

friends. Norman lived in

Woodstock all his life and he

earned his living by working

He is survived by Janice My-

ers; niece of Florida, and her

children, William Alvin My-

ers Jr., Bertha Ann Myers,

Richard Alan Myers and Eliz-

abeth Myers; nine great-great-

nieces and nephews; and his

best friend, Leon Poland of

He was predeceased by his

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Paternal grandparents are Jeffrey and Deborah Campbell, Woodstock.

Bradley James joins his sister, Cadence, 2,

Jennell E, and Jason M, Robinson are happy to announce the arrival of their daughter, Jozlyn Mae Robinson, born April 14, 2011 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 4 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Darlene Pilgrim and Rick Rogers of Woodstock, Maine, and Robert A. Pilgrim Jr. of Gard-

Paternal grandparents are Mike Robinson of Lowell, Mass. and Betty Agerson of Logan, Iowa.

Brooke and Joshua Campbell of West Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Brander Knights Campbell, born on April 28, 2011, weighing 8 pounds, 14 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Tracy Poland of West Paris and

Kenneth Grover of Bethel. Paternal grandparents are Jeff Sr. and Debbie Campbell of Woodstock.

Brander joins his sister, Atalie Campbell, age 3.

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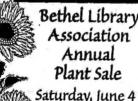
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Tanya is a 2008 graduate of St. Helena High School and has attended Napa Valley College. She is currently employed at a daycare center where she resides in California.

Kenny is a 2004 graduate of Pine Tree Academy in Freeport, Maine. He trained and received his Class A truckdriving license in California.

A/May wedding is planned in Angwin, Calif., and then they will reside in Sumner, Maine soon.



Martin — Walker

. Tim and Jackie Packard of South Paris are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Alisha Martin of Bethel to Jeff Walker also of Bethel.

Alisha graduated from Oxford Hills High School in 1998 and is self-employed at A & J Redemption, Bethel.

Jeff graduated from Telstar Regional High School in 1988 and is self-employed at Jeff Walker's Auto Repair and A & J Redemption in Bethel.

They will be married on May 28 at 3 p.m. at Jackson-Silver Post, Greenwood.

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Thank you for your assistance. **BRCA Board of Directors**

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The Annual Meeting of the BETHEL RIVERSIDE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION will be held at the

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